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BASSFIELD

Dear Rev. Young: This comes to let you and the many readers know that lodge No. 23 has lost a faithful member in person of Brother Thomas A. Reece. Brother Reece departed this life December the 1st, 1930. He was in good and regular standing with the local and general bodies.

Brother Reece's funeral was attended by the Rev. E. B. Blackman. Many good things were said by the Mr. W. C. McLeod regarding the life and character of Brother Reece. Brother V. H. Booth also made some timely remaks in regarding the life of Brother Reece.

His remains were laid to rest in the Reece cemetary. His life will long remain in the minds of the people Colored and White. He leaves to mourn his passing five brothers, five sisters, three sons, three daaghters and a host of friends.

J. M. Thompson, President.

HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 108 had a wonderful time on Thanksgiving. A wonderful program was rendered by the lodge, together with the following lodges:

Mrs. E. A. B. Harper No. 102, A. J. Barnett No. 270, E. G. Gordan No. 217, A. M. Pruitt No. 348, Ben Green No. 205, Joe knox No. 231. Mr. Joe Knox acted as master of ceremonies.

Welcome address on behalf of the city of Hattiesburg by Brother W. M. Dixie.
Solo Mrs. Hattie C. Sherman.
Reading Mrs. E. A. B. Harper Subject "There is a bug under the chip
Instrumental Violin Solo-E. W. Hall
Selection-The last rose of Spring
Solo When you and I were young Maggie
Quartett-by Mrs. Hattie Williams and others.
Paper Subject-The progress of the The Negro race Mrs. L. Kirkpatrick.
Solo-Mrs. Geannie Harris
Introduction of General Officers Mr. G. Hardaway.
Some timely remarks of congratulation were extended by the pastor of True Light Baptist Church Rev. J. H. Ratliff.

After the program and business part of the meeting a nicely prepared banquet was given in honor of the folfowing:
Rev. J. H. Ratliff; Rev. R. Nicholson; E. Gordan; W. M. Dixie; J. Knox; Rev. E. F. Young; and Rev. R. L. Young.

Mrs. Mattie Nicholson, Pres.

MT. OLIVE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space through the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 263 is doing nicely. Love peace and harmony exist in our lodge. We are praying that our lodge might continue to increase.

B. J. Tatum, President.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that Eagle Eye lodge No. 441 is on the map, and is doing H. B. A business. We had a great meeting on the 8th of December, and, added thirty-three members. We have twenty-three applications on file for memership to our lodge. Lodge No. 441 and I are asking for the March Board to come to Biloxi. This is a place where the Board could do much good.

V. R. Chambers, Pres.

MONT ROSE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to say that lodge No. 316 is doing nicely. The members and friends of Mount Rose, wish that the dispensation would be extended until some time in January. We are striving to put the program over in this section. Pray that success will be ours.

James Walton, President.
Fannie Walton, Secretary.

CROWDER

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the little paper to say a few words about lodge No. 386. We are doing just fine. The hard times caused our lodge to loose two or three members but earnest prayers and honest doing caused us to gain our members back. We hope to put over a better program in the year of 1931 than we have in the past years. Yours for the uplift of the H. B. A.
Rev. H. P. Clark, President.

PICAYUNE

Dear Editor: Just a few words I want to speak to the many friends of the H. B. A. We the members of lodge No. 307 are doing fine. We sing so loud and pray so hard that every-body wants to come in. We have had some bad knockers, they were big folks, too big for the H. B. A. but we have converted them and taken them in. The H. B. A. has stretched her wings across the State and is doing every thing she said she would do. Our lodge is free from all bills, and we are trusting that we may continue this way.

Rev. T. J. Newkirk, Pres.

Mrs. E. L. Sellers, Reporter.

PICAYUNE

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers of the Echo know that lodge No. 373 of Picayune is near the top. We are all working to build our lodge. We have just delivered to our lodge about fifteen certificates and we have a goodly number on file. We meet twice a month, and our meetings are always in peace. Mr. William Early is a wide awake member of our lodge. He has brought in more applicants to the lodge than any one member of the lodge.

Pray for our success.
Aaron Trotter, President.

ELLISVILLE

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that we have a wide awake church. All of the auxiliaries are at work. All of the Members are working with the pastor, Rev. T. A. Carter, this Conference year.

The Ladie's Aid gave the Rev. Carter a shower, which consisted of many many groceries. The Woman's Home Missionary Department, Epworth League and Sunday School are all working with the church.

Mrs. Bettie Faulknor, Reporter.

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PRIZE WINNERS

According to the records of our office, and, the number of application blanks on file, that were sent in by the local presidents, the following presidents have sent in the highest number of applications for the drive. We wish to congratulate all of the presidents for their splendid efforts. The winners are as follows:

Prof. H. T. Houston, Philadelphia, Miss. Lodge No. 334, gets first prize. He has added seventy-three (73) members.

C. M. Mayfield, No. 288, Waynesboro, Miss. has added sixty-six members. He gets second prize.

Eddie Robinson of Macon, Miss. Lodge No. 394, has added sixty-three members. He gets third prize.

Edward Burley, of State Line, Miss. Lodge No. 355, has added forty-six members. He gets fourth prize.

Shelby Humble, of Lambert, Miss. Lodge No. 387, has added forty-five members. He gets fifth prize.

Claud Gavin, of Cliftonville, Miss. Lodge No. 400 has added forty-three members. He gets sixth prize.

Some of the other lodges have done splendid work. Some have added from forty to forty-one members.

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Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the whole Association know that lodge No. 334 is on the upward march. I may not be able to make great speeches like some of our presidents, but I want you all to know that I am in the H. B. A. race. I want the Association to see the great work that has been assigned to my hand, and you may judge for yourself as to whether I have been doing the work.

We have some presidents who are asleep on their jobs. Wake up presidents, did you not know that you should be at work? I feel that I am the least among the Association.

The world is calling for more men, who will put the program of God over. It is our duty to help the members of our race who are not able to help themselves. Wake up presidents wake up, and lets go to work.

Prof. H. T. Houston, Pres.

MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please let me say to the many readers of the Echo that lodge No. 395 is doing nicely. During the last dispensation we doubled our membership. The lodge is doing real H. B. A. work, and has planned to do better work in the year of 1931. I have selected a piece of poetry and I would like for all of the readers to think of.

"I KNOW SOMETHING GOOD ABOUT YOU"

Wouldn't this old world be better
If the folks we meet would say,
I know something good about you
And treat us just that way.

2.

Wouldn't it be fine and dandy
If each handclasp warm and true,
Carried with it this assurance,
I know something good about you.

3

Wouldn't life be lots more happier
If the good that is in us all
Where the only thing about us,
That folks bothered to recall.

4

Wouldn't life be more happy
If we praised the good we see
There's such a lot of goodness,
In the worst of you and me.

5

Wouldn't it be nice to practice
That fine way of thinking to
You know something good about me
I know something good about you.

Mrs. Ella Thornton, Reporter.

MACON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know, that lodge No. 394 is doing nicely, and doing real H. B. A. work. Our lodge is still on the upward march. Peace and Harmony are still existing among all of our members. We have been blessed from the earliest existence even up to this present moment, not to have lost but one member by death, since the organization of our lodge. We will soon be two years old, however, we are not boosting of the fact, because we can not tell when death will call us from labor to reward.

It is not the good that we have done, that causes us to be here, it is through the goodness and mercy of the Almighty God; since that is true we as a Colored race should stick together in a more co-operative way. The H. B. A. is a friend to the poorman. It seems to have power to draw as Jesus Christ said one time, if He be lifted up, He would draw all men unto Him, and, it appears to me that the H. B. A. didn't come to destroy any other Organization, but it came to full fill all rightness of Organizations to whom it may concern.

Yours for the Order,

Eddie Roberson, Reporter.

KEWANEE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 4 is doing nicely.

We lost one of our faithful members by death, in the person of sister Marget Sandford. Sister Sandford was a good faithful christian woman, and has been a member for twenty years. She died in good faith with the lodge and her church.

She leaves to mourn her passing four sons, one daughter, three sisters, and a host of relatives and friends.

E. D. Portis, President.

MAGEE

Dear Editor: Ebinezer lodge No. 152 has lost one of its members in the person of Henry Hudson. He was a kind father and a loving husband and Brother. This is our loss, but we feel confident that it is Heaven's gain.

Sincerely your brother in the H. B. A.

W. R. Smith, President.

MACON

Dear Editor: This comes to let you and the many readers know that lodge No. 298 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of sister Bertha Patton. Sister Patton departed this life December 27th, 1930.

She was a faithful member in the lodge and her church. She leaves to mourn her passing two brothers, one daughter, one sister and a lot of friends. We are praying that our lost is heaven's gain.

Ames Johnson, Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Baity and family spent the Christmas hollidays in Macon, Miss. with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Spooner.

Miss Symerial McCarty who is a student of Oak Park school, Laurel, Miss. is spending the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Flossie McCarty and friends.

POPLARVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow space in the Echo that I may imform our readers of the excellent oration delivered to the faculty, patrons and student body of Evergreen Public School ,by Hon. T. M. Betts, one of the colored Lawyers of Kansas City, Mo.

Theme of discourse, "Prepare for To-morrow." This oration was enjoyed by all.

Prof. E. T. Alfred, Prin.
Miss W. H. Greene, Asst.
Mrs. A. B. McDuffie, Reporter

COLUMBIA

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 326 has lost another one of its faithful members in the person of sister Amanda Dillion. Sister Dillion departed this life December 22nd. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

James Rodges, Pres.

RESUMES DUTIES

Dear Editor:- Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the readers know, that Rev. R. L. Young, General Secretary of the Holbrook Benevolent Association, is able to be back in his office and resume his office work , after having had his tonsils removed about ten days ago. We wish for his a speedy recovery.

Reporter.

Miss Gertrude Harper, an employee of the Good-Will Printing Company was married to Mr. Joe Smith Miss Harper has been an employee of the Good-Will Printing Company a little better than a year. We extend to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith congratulations.

Reporter.

PRAIRIE POINT

Dear Editor:- This is to let the many readers know that I certainly did enjoy reading the Echo for December 15th.

Yours for H. B. A. word,
William Williams.

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We paid thirty-four claimants in the December Board $221.00 each.

Collection on Building, taxes on property, Quarterly Dues and other, expense make a grand total for the December Boards $11,000.00.

Secretary

NEW H. B. A. CAPS

To the presidents and members of the H. B. A., I am ordering a supply of H. B. A. caps. Some that are much nicer than the last caps. I am ordering a nice cap with a tassel in the top of it, one that will match your H. B. A. sash.

I want you to begin to talk it to your members, so that they can give in their order as soon as they come out. These caps are the very thing for your turn out, and for the convention we want every member to purchase a cap so that in time of the Convention we can have one of the biggest parades that has ever been witnessed in the history of this Association.

I am going to put a special price on these caps, sashes and goats, as soon as the office gives out its prizes to the winners. Watch the next issue of the Echo.

R. W. YOUNG, Agent.

DeKALB

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 113 is still on the map. Our lodge gave to eleven old members $1.20 for Xmas gifts.

Pray that success will be ours.

C. A. NEELEY, Pres.

NOTICE

If you fail to get your Echo, please notify the office and we will kindly send the ones that you failed to receive.

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Board Notice Collection $1.40 Per Member

To the presidents and members of the H. B. A. This notice comes to let you know that the Boards will meet early in March, beginning about March 1st. We are notifying you now to collect $1.40 per member.

This gives you practically two months to get $1.40, this will average a saving of little more than 2c per day. Presidents, if you will start now and instruct your members to lay aside 3c each day or 21c each week you will find that you can have your Death Claims and Dues ready. If you have members in your lodge who are in such conditions that they can not do this, let the lodge put something on by which you can raise money for the whole lodge.

The presidents who study for their people will most likely make a round report. There is something else for you to do beside telling your folks that the assessment is out and you must pay $1.40. Give your people wholesome and helpful advice and you will find that the Quarterly assessment will be easier to raise. If you will manage your affairs right you can take two hens and one rooster and pay the assessment for two or three persons a year.

Wherever there is a will there is a way.

SECRETARY.

DEATH

Just received a Telegram from Dr. Geo. C. Parker of the death of Bishop N. C. Cleave. Bishop Cleave died in St. Louis, Mo., December 31st. Bishop Cleave once presided over the State of Mississippi. He was one of the best and most loved Bishop in the C. M. E. Church.

NOTICE

All presidents desiring the March Board are requested to send in their application to the office for consideration.

SECRETARY

NOTICE TO UNDERTAKERS

All undertakers are advised not to advance more than $100.00 on H. B. A. funerals during these hard and strenuous times. We want all concerned to do the very best ,we can, during these times, to take care of the situation.

E. F. YOUNG, President.

HICKORY

Dear Editor: Please make room in the columns of the Echo to let the members of the H. B. A. know that lodge No. 311 is doing nicely. We are doing real H. B. A. work. The H. B. A. spirit exists in and around our lodge. Some of the lodges in and around our community come frequetly to pay our lodge visits. We have been making new members under the dispensation right sharpely. This is to let all concerned know that lodge No. 311 is still in the race.

Clarence Deese, Pres.

BUCATUNNA

Dear Editor: Give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that Rising Star lodge No. 214 is doing nicely. We had our Annual sermon on the 5th Sunday in November. Our lodge is doing just fine. Our sermon was preached by Rev. R. L. Young, General Secretary. He preached a wonderful sermon. His text was taken from the 5th Chapter and 27 verse of Daniel. Rev. Young preached a soul stirring sermon.

Our membership is increasing right sharply. Love, peace and harmony exist in our lodge. We are all working together for the uplfit of the lodge. Pray that success may be ours.

Rev. J. L. Story, Pres.

WAYNESBORO

Rev. R. L. Yonng, General Presidet, Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the readers know that we had Rev. H. Ray with us on the 1st Sunday in this month. He preached a soul stirring sermon. His subject was The Law. The welcome address was made by two little H. B. A. girls, Lillie Mae Chatman and Genova Nobles. Paper reading by little George Evans.

All of the members of lodge No. 193 are doing nicely at this time. Pray that God's blessing may be ours.

We are praying for our General President and General Secretary.

R. C. Chapman, President.
George Evans, Secretary.

DEKALB

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 113 is going higher and higher. We are one hundred and thirty strong. We have lost only one death in nine years

Our members are killing hogs, and, the president is afraid that some of the members will get sick from eating so much fresh meat. Brother Rogers Vance killed a hog that weighed 500 pounds

Mamiedale Neeley, Reporter.

EASTABUCHIE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 348 is doing nicely. We have just made twenty five new members and have five more on file for our next meeting night. Peace and love abide in our lodge. Pray that success will continue to be ours.

Adam Pruett, President.

CLIFTONVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to mention a few things concerning H. B. A. lodge No. 400. Our lodge is still on the battle field with her guns pointed toward success. We can't take the authority to say that we are leading all other H. B. A. s but as the old saying is, if I can't be a bell cow I can gallop in the gang.

Since the dispensation drive has been on we have added quite a few members. We have been very careful about who we accept in our lodge. Look out presidents, who will get the first prize? I hope that the heavenly Master will shine His blessings upon this organization.

Claud Gavin, Pres.
W. M. Williams, Reporter.

PERKINGSTON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we are trying to do real H. B. A. work. Pray that we may continue to lift the H. B. A. up.

Peter Bang, President.

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26,355 Businesses Fail In Country During Past Year

New York—Commercial failures for the year 1930 totaled 26,355 exclusive of bank suspension, and their liabilities amounted to $668,283,842, compared with a total of 22,900 defaults in 1929, R. G. Dun & Co., reports.

The total for December was 2,525, against 2,037 for the corresponding month of 1929.

The total of 26,355 defaults in 1930 was unparalleled, and in no preceding December has the number of failures equaled the 2,525 reported last month Moreover, last month's indebtedness of $83,683,361 also was the largest on record and only once before, in Mar. 1924, has the amount been exceeded.

"A distinguishing feature of the past year's returns," the review says, was the fact that in each month excepting August and September the the number of insolvencies was above the 2,000 level, with the maxium reached in January at 2,759. The December figure, which represented the second highest point of the year was fully 24 per cent above the number for November, although a part of this increase was accounted for by the longer month."

H. B. A Board Notice

The March Boards Will Meet As Follows:

Brooksville, Miss., March Monday 2nd W. Tate, Pres.
Meridian, Miss. Thursday March 5th
Shubuta, Miss., Tuesday March 10 th M. Pope, Pres.
Laurel, Miss., Thursday Mar. 12th, Jim Collins, Pres.
Biloxi, Miss., Tuesday Mar. 17th V. R. Chambers, Pres.
Columbia, Miss., Thursday March 19th, James Rodges, Pres.
Newton, Miss., Tuesday Mar. 24th, W. E. Chapman, Pres.

All presidents are requested to collect $1.40 from each member of his or her lodge and report same in the Board. If any president desires to attend some other Board, other than the one designated on your Quarterly report blanks, please get permission from the office before doing so.

Secretary.

We are kindly asking all presidents who are intertaining the March Boards, to send the name of the churches or school houses, and a general description, as how to reach said places in order that we might publish same.

LARGE VALUE FOR DIPLOMA OF COLLEGE

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. A college degree is worth $56,000 more than a highschool diploma according to statistics gathered by Dr. C. B. Glenn, superintendent of B'ham schools.

His figures are based on the Alpha Kappa Psi fraternity's survey on occupational incomes from all types of occupation and grades of education.

The statistics were compiled from 7,369 reports received by the fraternity from all states in the union. The survey was conducted to show whether a college education actually paid in dollars and cents.

Starts at 14

"The untrained man," Dr. Glenn found. ' With only an elementary education, goes to work at 14. He reaches a maxium income at 45, earning on the average less than $1,700 a year His total earnings from 14 to 16 are about $64,000.

"The high school graduate goes to work at 18, four years later, and passes the maxium of the elementary trained man in 10 years.

"He rises steadily to his own maxium of $2,800 at 50 and then falls off to about his 40-year aver- are. His earnings from 18 to 60 total about $88,000, just 24,000 more than that earned by the elementary trained boy This indicates that each of the four years of a high school boys life worth $6,000 to him.

"The college graduate goes to work at 22. By the time he is 31 his income equals that of his school graduate at 40 and continues steadily to rise. Total earnings from 22 to 60 is approximately $144,000. The $56,000 above the high school graduate figues represent the cash value of a college education, making $14,000 for each four-year term."

MERIDIAN

Dear Editor:- Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that Lodge No. 253 is doing nicely. The members of our Lodge are all working in harmony with the President. Love, Peace and good will exist among our members..

All of our members are on the well list. None of them are sick. We are praying that our lodge might continue to prosper.

Reporter.

NOTICE

Dear Presidents and members: I take this method in thanking you all for the way that you all have stood by me in the sale of tomb stone and monuments for this past year 1930, You all helped me to sell more stones in 1930 than I have sold any year in the past four years and I feel that if some of you had not stood by me as you have done, I could not have made as many sales as I have.

I hope that I can get the co-operation of each of you this year. Help me so sell to each deceased H.B.A. in your lodge and also every deceased person in your community. Presidents, please see the relatives of the deceased in your lodge and let them come to the March Board prepared to buy a stone to be erected in honor of their deceased.

R. W. Young, Agent.

Langsdale

Dear Editor: Please allow us space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we have lost. one of our best and loyal members in person of sister Malinder Lang. She departed this life Jan. 3rd. She lived the life of a christian and died the death of the righteous. She leaves to mourn her passing a husband, four sons, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Her funeral was attended by Rev. C. L. Pringle and Brother Isham Evans. interment at Mt. Levy cemetery.

Jerry Lang, President.

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TENTATIVE

The following persons are to be paid off in the March Board:
We give names deceased, No. lodge and location.
Amanda Allen, 69 Meridian.
Julia Oliver Watson, 33 Meridian.
Lizzie Gordon, 173 Quitman.
Rev. J. F. Thigpen, 195 Heidelberg.
Rob Marshall, 80 Stonewall.
Patsey McLendon, 82 Quitman.
John Newell 207 Heidelberg.
Robert Hamilton, 58 Ellisville.
Nancy Thigpen, 201 Heidelberg.
Mary Gardner, 343 New Hebron.
Arther Turner, 193 Waynesboro.
Rose Heidelberg, 249 Shubuta.
Dave Rodgers, 71 D'Lo.
John Harris, 55 Ellisville.
Anna Howze, 202 Ellisville.
Archie Robinson, 92 Laurel.
Florence Brooks, 413 Deerbrook.
Chirty Shaw, 123 Crandall.
Luke Moore, 235 Lauderdale.
Timothy Mobley, 111 Complete.
Henry Dixon, 353 Brookhaven.
Mandella Bolden, 301 State Line.
Ellen Warbington, 27 Meridian.
Charles Mesley, 139 Meridian.
Robert Radcliff, 3 Russell.
Daniel Neal, 299 Macon.
William Wesley, 302 Newton.
Lottie Wright, 64 Enondale.
Tom A. Reece, 23 Bassfield.
Sarah Clarks, 39 Lauderdale.
Cora Pickett, 424 Brookhaven.
Amanda Dillion, 326 Columbia.

The balance of the last Board preceeding will be published in the next issue of the paper.

BUSINESS FAILURES

It will be noted else where in this issue that more than 26,000 enterprises failed during the year 1930. This great business failure should be a warning to all Negro enterprises.

We want to earnestly urge the presidents and members to do their best to keep the H. B. A. on top.

It will be noted that the First National Bank in Meridian, Mississippi closed last week. The First National Bank in Jackson Mississippi closed this week. If these great institutions with millions of dollars behind them and experienced men running them, are going to the wall what may be expected of Negro concerns if we are not particular as to how we go. Dear presidents, be sure to do your best to collect $1.40 from all of your members. If we can take in collections the H. B. A. can stand, but if you local presidents fail to make a collection to the walls we go.

Roy L. Young, Secretary.

The Following Lodges Reported The Following Amounts For Dues And Death Claims In The December Boards:-

Lodge No.	Amount	Back
1	61.65	
2	72.65	
3	44.95	
4	46.05	
5	23.65	
8	8.25	
9	53.05	
11	83 85	1.00
18	16.65	
19	33.45	
20	50.25	
21	86.65	
22	44.65	
23	85.25	
25	48.85	
27	50.25	
28	97.85	
30	48.85	
31	39.05	
32	23.65	
33	48.85	
39	75.45	
40	51.65	
42	40.45	
44	19.45	
47	50.25	
49	39.05	
50	47.45	
52	43.25	
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157	40.45	
159	22.25	
160	34.85	
161	30.65	
163	12.45	
165	54.45	

SPECIAL PRICES

Special sale prices on all regalia from now until the March Boards. I hope that each local president and his or her member will take the advantage of these low prices on all regalia for the H. B. A. Iam going to sell regalia from now until the Mar. Board to local presidents for cost, by the dozen If you don't purchase a dozen, I will sell it to you at the same price because I'm going to combine your orders and order by the dozen anyway, and you can get them at cost. The prices are as follows:

Goats with an extra box of feed	$6.00
Sashes	$5.00 each
Fez caps best quality with tassel	$2.50 each
Fez cap next quality	$1.00 each
Ballot boxes	75 cents each
Ballard balls per doz.	10 cents each
Gavels	25 cents each

I want each local lodge to order one of these caps for each member in the lodge. These are nice caps to match the beautiful sash that we have. We want every member to purchase one of these caps for your lodge turn-out and also for the Convention. We are planning on one of the biggest parades we have ever had.

If any lodge wants to give a big order you may write me and I will come and be with you all in a meeting and dress your entire lodge up, since I am giving you the profit. I would want you to help some on my railroad fare. I am sure you would like that alright. Please rush your order in at once since I want to ship out five hundred caps by the March Board.

R. W. Young, Agent.

CLIFTONVILLE

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to publish a few lines of poetry, showing my inclination toward the H. B. A.

Tis another year, and we have launched our ship on a future Bay;
We hope to have a successful sail on the water of the H. B. A.

Our minds are contented on upward things;
We can't let them stray.
It would be a spot in our great aim.
To honor the H. B. A.

Some times the enemy trails our path; And stones and missels lay;
But each of us whisper to ourselves;
He is talking on H. B. A.

To win the prize above the skies;
We can't forget to pray;
We need strong men the battle to win,
When it comes to the H. B. A.

Not many years ago we stood;
Like a solid lump of clay;
We had no dreams of such a thing
As this great H. B. A.

But some one thought and thought again;
They thought both night and day;
And when their thoughts all settled down;
They camped on H. B. A.

If I were asked the question now;
To answer in my way
what is the greater lodge on earth,
I would answer the H. B. A.

To join this lodge it boost you;
It makes your heart feel gay;
The children even smile and cheer;
When they hear of H. B. A.

Our General Presidnt's name is **Young**
His orders will obey;
For twas he who searched in every nook;
To find the H. B. A.

His name is Young, but he is old;
When put on the scales to weigh;
His profits over one hundred years;
On the world of the H. B. A.

Some grumblers speak a word of slight;
And say we will decay;
But no such plank will ever be nailed
On the homes of the H. B. A.

So when my time on earth is done,
I can here no longer stay;
Please put there letters on my tomb;
The letters "H. B. A."

By Prof. W. Williams

LAMBERT

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that Brother Gross departed this life Decemder 21st. He was buried December 24th in Lambert cemetery. The funeral service was attended by Rev. Morgan, his pastor, assisted by Rev. J. H. Herron and Rev. Reed.

Brother Gross was one of our Brothers of the H. B. A He was loyal and obedient to his obligation. He was a good citizen and has been for years in Lambert. He leaves a wife mother, three daughters, four brothers and eight children to mourn his passing. We are all sad to say it is our lost and heaven's gain.

WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: Please let me say one word through the little paper to let the state know I am still yet alive. Thanks to the good Lord I have lived to see 1931. I think we should give credit to whom credit is due. We ought to give God thanks at all times for his many, many blessings. We are doing nicely in our lodge and yet making members. I am tired of leading all other lodges. We are begging for the March Board. Please let us have the March Board. We have a goodly number of white friends asking me about the Board. So please let 190 have the March Board. We are looking to that end. You all know that I can take care of the Board. There is no need of me mentioning that, but I will ask those that have never met a Board at Waynesboro to come and see what we can do.

D. L. Harris, President.

WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: This comes to let you know that lodge No. 193 has lost one of our great and faithful members, in the person of sister Margrett McDougle. She departed this life Jan. 12, 1931. She was a good and faithful member in both church and lodge. and was a loyal citizen of the county and community in which she lived.

She passed through this life with a high regard with both colored and white. She joined 193 six years ago and lived in it that length of time. without giving one moment trouble.

The Funeral service was conducted on the 13th of Jan. A local program was rendered with Rev. H. Ray master of ceremonies. Sister McDougle was recommended as a citizen by A. Evans and a mother by sister Maggie Esters, as a christian by Rev. J. H. Hunly, as an H. B. A. by Ira Evans. Solo by Mrs. E. Turner Funeral was attended by Rev. M. J. Barlow owing to the president of said lodge being her brother, D. L. Harris. was asked to carry out the grave service in his style.

R. C. Chapman, President

CHURCH REPORT

This report comes from the Secretary of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church for the month of December 1930. The following is the amount paid the pastor, Presiding Elder and for General Fund:-

Bessie Beck fifteen cents.,
Miranda Brown, twenty cents.
Maggie Brown, thirty five cents.
Lucinda Carter fifty cents.
Ruth Chester, twenty cents.

Clarence Chillus fifty cents, Mary Chillus fifty cents, Mary Cole thirty cents, Minnie Cole forty five cents, Martha Cole five cents, Haze Cole fifteen cents, Valonia Cole sixty cents Eliza Cole— Rev. & Mrs. Conner twenty five cents, Lucy Currie twenty five cents, Fannie Dawson ten cents, Maud Dungeon—Ondra Easter thirty cents, Paul Flemming—Albert Foster— Pinkie Foster— J. C Grant twenty-five cents, Laura Griggs seventy-five cents, H. D. Hill twenty five cents, Mary B. Hill— Lula Hill twenty five cents, Geneva Hobson Otis Hobson ten cents, Lenora Hobson— Fred Jackson— J. B. James— Joe James—Bettie Jimerson— Pearlie Johnson— Lovella Jones fifty cent Lula Jones, two dollars, Hollis Jones Robert Jones one dollar, Rose Mae Jordan eighty cents, Evia King fifteen cents Willie Lowry twenty five cents C. A. Leach one dollar Rosa Lee ten cents, Annie March, Ella B. Martin, Margret Martin(poor), Flossie McCarty, Clara Edna McDonald twenty five cents. Mable McDonald twenty five cents, Elizabeth Miller, Rosa Miller twenty-five cents, Sam Miller, Tom C. Miller two dollars Lula Neal, Rev. J. H. Newell one dollar and twenty five cents, Lovenia Payton, Julia Payton one dollar and twenty five cents, Mildred Phillips, Lillie Mae Phillips, Reatha Pickett twenty five cents Cordelia Pickett twenty five cents, Joe Pringle, Lu.a Pringle, Daisy Redmond two dollars C. J. Robinson, Willie Robinson, Lillie M. Russell, Georgia Russell, Pearlie Rose, Bill Russell, Wm. Scott five cents, Mildred Scott three cents Cynthia Sims, Frank Sims seventy-five cents, Annie smith one dollar-five cents, Carl A. Smith thirty cents Jerome Smith twenty five cents, John L. Smith, Clara Sloan twenty five cents, Arthenia Steward one dollar seventy five cents, Frank Steward twenty five cents. Delphine Steward ten cents, Doris Steward ten cents, Wm. Steward twenty five cents, Mattie Steward twenty five cents, Henderson Steward, Rosa Smith, Limmie Spinks twenty five cents, Jannie Terry five cents, Laura Thomas, Cora Thomas, Ella Thornon forty five cents, Laura Turner twenty five cent Beulah Walton, Emma Warbington five cents Willie Warbington five cents, Emma Watkins twenty five cents, Mary Watkins seventy five cts Bessie Warbington, Minnie Wilcox, Lula Wilson one dollar eighty five cents, Mora Wilson, E F. Young Jr. seventy five cents, Estella Young one dollar seventy five cents, Lenora Young two dollars, Lillie Ree Young one dollar, R. W. Young one dollar, Thomas Young one dollar, Maggie Juanita Young one dollar seventy five cents, Velma Young seventy five cents. Total $39.66

Amount raised by the pastor $13.85
Amount raised by S. S. $3.36
Amt. raised by the W. W. Club $4.58
Grand total raised during the month of December $61.45

Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor,
Tom C. Miller, Secretary.

EASTABUCHIE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say to the members of the H. B. A. that lodge No. 348 is doing real H. B. A. business.

We are all in love, and everybody seems to have the H. B. A. spirit. We made four members in our last meeting night, and have fifteen on file for membership.

Our field agent, Rev. A. Nixon, was with us on our last meeting night, and, presented the lodge fifteen candidates, making a total of nineteen in this month.

Hurrah, Hurrah for our agent Nixon, who can beat him? We are very, very proud of Rev. Nixon.

Reporter.

STATE LINE

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know, that lodge No. 301 has lost one of its members in person of sister Mandell Bolden, She departed this life November 21st in good standing. She was a loyal member in her lodge. She will be missed in our community. She leaves a husband, five children, one sister, and a host of friends to mourn her passing. We are trusting that our lost is heaven's gain.

James Walley, President.

COLUMBIA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 326 has lost another one of its faithful members in person of sister Amanda Dillion. Sister Dillion departed this life December 22nd. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

James Rodges, Pres.

RICHTON

Dear Editor: Please give me space through the columns to let the many readers know, that lodge No. 66 is doing nicely. Sister E. M. Jackson died a few days ago. She leaves a mother, father and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her passing.

Viola Hinton, Secretary.

MACON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 198 are yet climbing to the top. On last Saturday night we made two new members, and, took in three renewals. Pray that we might continue to add new members to our lodge. We love No. 198, we love our president, they do too. We are trying to do our best to help him think the best, and when we think, yes we pray.

Viola Batson, Reporter

MACON

Dear Rev. Young:-This comes to let the many readers of the Echo know, that the remains of sister Birtha Patton, of lodge No. 298, was laid to rest in the Stoball cemetery, officated by her pastor, Rev. Lonie Moore of Sylvia Ridge Baptist Church.

Active Pall bearers: President Ames Johnson, Dave Minor, Sam Bush, Mike Ivry, Isaiah Dixon, Fred Sanders, Shade Spann, Ezekill Garner, Joseph Mosley, of the H. R. Dair Funeral Company, had charge of the body. Sister Patton was buried with H. B. A. honors.

J. A. Johnson, Reporter.

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EASTABUCHIE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space to tell all of our readers of the Echo that lodge No. 348 is doing nicely. We are on the H. B. A. line. Our Agent, A. Nixon is a live wire on this line. You can ring him up at any time. He has presented our lodge, since the dispensation, twenty-three members.

What can you say about that? Hurrah, Hurrah for Nixon. We also have a fine president, slow but sure. We are trying to grow our lodge to seventy-five members by Feb. 15th. Pray for us and stay on the H. B. A. line. Reporter.

NOTICE

If you fail to get your Echo, please notify the office and we will kindly send the ones that you failed to receive.

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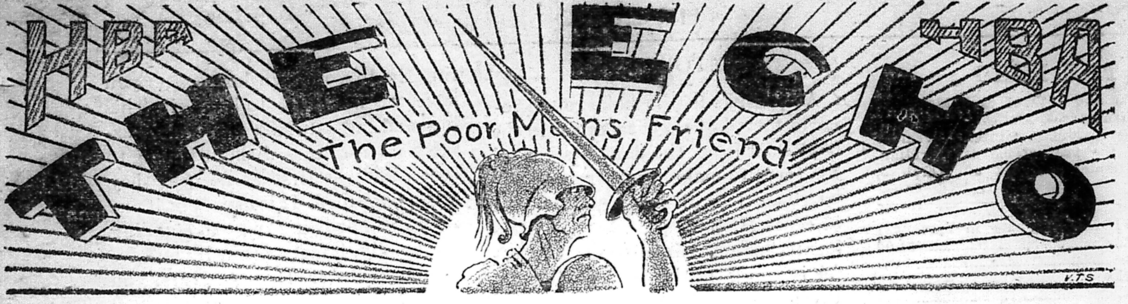

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An Appeal To The Presidents

Dear Presidents, we are making an urgent appeal to each of you to do your best to make round reports in the next Board. Please don't allow yourself to come up with an excuse. I know it is hard at times to make a round report, if there were ever a time that we need to pull together in one phalanx it is now. We want you to realize that a great responsibility rests upon you as field agents. If you fail to do your duty and make good collections, it will be impossible for us to pay off as we desire.

McLeod, Thompson, Rowe, King, Nicholson, Harper, Martin, Chapel, Chatman, McCormick, Ott, Pitts, Knox, Burley and all the rest to numerous to mention, we are expecting that you come with a round report. We have a large number of deaths on hand, and we can not afford to let too many of them run over to the June Board, and it is up to you to help us clear the list. Why not start now brethren and see to it that the members pay up?

Do not let excuses be a hold back, we must climb the mountians. The H. B A. through all of these adverse circumstances is not loosing any ground whatever. Can we afford to stop now? Can we fail at this point? No! we can not fail. The local president who is able to collect 95 per cent of his Death Claims for the Board is a hustling president. Why come up to the Boards with a membership of fifteen and report nine paid? We want you to put your strength behind it, we want you to realize your importance as a spoke in this great revolving wheel, we want you to rise and shine and give the H. B A. glory. Presidents, you can do it provided you start in time. I urged you sometime ago to begin advising your members to save a few pennies and when the Boards meet, you will be ready to make a round report.

LIVE OR DIE

We have received three or four death reports from presidents and these death reports are suspicious. Some have been members of the H. B. A. a month, some two months and some three months. We have tried to urge all concerned to be watchful with regards to taking in members. There are some folks in the H. B. A. who are not in it for what they can put in it, but what they can get out of it. Don't think for one moment, that all of the rascals are out. Some are in it and are trying to sap the life out of the Order. If you know a president or a lodge is doing wrong with regards to taking in members, you ought to have the manhood and back bone to tell that president and lodge that they are doing wrong and not only that, but you ought to be willing to report such characters to the office. The H. B. A. will live if we will take care of it, and it will die if we will rob it. Will you not see to it that robbers are caught or at least exposed to the public? They should be exposed, they should be out. We have just received a letter from a young woman whose father is dead. He has been a member of the H. B. A. about six weeks. It could be that he was in perfect health when he joined and the lodge was with in the law in receiving the application but we can not help but feel suspicious when so many new folks die and the old ones who have been in a long time live on. The H. B. A. will live or die in proportion to the interest we manifest in it.

SILVER CREEK

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 258 has lost one of its members, in the person of sister Alice E. Buckley. She was a good and faithful member. This is our lost but we feel that its heaven's gain. She departed this life January 25, 1931

David Geeston, President.

MERIDIAN

Dear Editor:- This is to let the presidents and members of the Meridian Board know that the Mar. Board will convene on the fifth in the H. B. A. Building, and we are kindly asking all presidents and members to help take care of this Board. We feel that it is dangerous to meet out in the rural, because there is so much robbery going on. Just think if we were held up and the money taken from us we would have to pay again. And paying $1.40 twice in ninety days wouldn't be a good thing to do these strenuous times. So let us loyal presidents and members do our duty and take care of the Board.

I. English, President.

MACON, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: May I have space in the paper to mention the sad loss by death of Bro. Daniel Neal.
Member of lodge No. 299 Macon, Miss. Bro. Neal slept away most peacefully on Dec. 12th. A peaceful death was characteristic of his life. A quiet unassuming manner with a few kind words for everyone he met.

Bro. Neal left a faithful and patient wife and a number of loving children to mourn his loss, besides his fraternal Sisters and Brothers. Rest in peace Bro. Neal, may the Lord send us many more like you.

Will Neal, President.
Clara Spooner, Secretary

December's chilly wintry blast.
Swept over the barren hills
It held a message from above
A tired heart too still.

No power have I this task to do;
Without the master's-hand
Of death to execute the plan;
The wind mused as it flew.

Oh! death, a message here I have
I'm sure tis meant for you
Our Father's Son whose task is over
Is ready to pass through.

The waving of a magic wand
The trials of life had flown;
The master's voice twas plain to see
Had called a Pilgrim home.

Mrs. Clara Spooner.

DEKALB

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that sister Mary Rush, a member of lodge No. 113 has departed this life. She just became a member a few days ago. She was a good member of the church and a faithful citizen to her community. We are praying that our loss is heaven's gain.

C. A. Neeley, President.

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The Following Lodges Reported The Following Amounts For Dues And Death Claims In The December Boards:-

Lodge No.	Amount	Back
375	22.25	
376	5.60	
377	2.80	
378		
380	15.25	
381	47.45	
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383	43.25	
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441	36.25	
442	22.25	
443	36.25	
444	19.45	
445	6.85	

IMPORTANT

All presidents who make round reports for all of their members in the next Boards on the date designated for them to make their report will be given free of charge one of the 50 cents H. B. A. pins. Lets go presidents, who is going to win? This offer is being made by the General President and Secretary.

Sad News

Dear presidents and members, as all of us know, money is scarce, or at least it is hard to get hold of. There is as much money now as there was three or four years ago, but the man or woman who has it doesn't turn it loose so readily. Else where in this issue we are urging the presidents to make round reports. Do you not know that it is dangerous to miss one quarter? Have you thought of the fact that something happens at the time you fail to do your duty? Sad news came to the office this morning when a certain member of a certain local lodge failed to pay the Dec. assessment. As I looked over the president's report blanks for two yrs. or more, this person who is dead has never had to renew. This person has always paid up on time, but during the Dec. Board she was a little negligent, and she and her husband failed to pay and in less than forty days the wife was dead. A failure to pay $1.40 caused them to loose more than $200.00.

Friends, let me advise you not to take these risks. You don't know when you are going to die. You may say times are hard and you can not get up $1.40, but suppose you die you have got to get up money for a funeral some way or another. Friends, if we will decide that we are going to pay our claims we will in some way get the money. Of course, if you decide you can not pay you can not do it. Have you thought of the great risk you are taking when you put off one day?

Do you realize that you are playing with $220.00? It is almost like setting fire to your own house after you have worked hard to build it. This husband and wife have paid every assessment for years without having to renew and the first assessment they missed one died. It is hard, but if one dies without being in good standing financially, it matters not if you have been a member twenty years, you have lost all of your earning. Sad news.

Secretary.

NOTICE

After we have sent out the death notice for collection in the Board we very often get letters from our presidents asking us to try to pay off certain members of their lodge whose names do not appear in the list published. Please do not write and ask us to pay your claims off because of certain conditions that exist. All of them would like to be paid off the next day after they are dead if possible, and since it is not possible all of your will be compelled to wait until your term comes. If we attempt to pay every member who dies between the Boards after the death notice has been sent out, I am sure you realize that the Death Claims paid each representative will greatly reduce. We can pay some of you off if you just insist on it, that means you will have to take what you can get.

Secretary.

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QUITMAN

Dear Editor: Give us room in the column of the Echo to let the many friends and members know, that lodge No. 173 is doing nicely. We feel that we have been wonderfully blessed to have had our field agent, Rev. C. L Pringle, with us a few weeks ago and to increase our membership. Rev. Pringle brought life to this community. This lodge was about dead. He is a man that is full of life, and carries a smile at all times.

John P. Jordan, reporter.

NOTICE

We are earnestly asking each president, entertaining the March Board, to please notify us at once as to what church or school the Board will be held in his or her locality.

Secretary.

VANCE

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that Zion Chapel lodge No. 436 is doing nicely. We held our regular meeting a few weeks ago and always meet semi monthly. We have a wonderful president and we love him. He is very faithful to the members of this lodge. I want the many readers to know that our lodge is on the top. Pray that our lodge might continue to prosper.

Rev. R. D. Moore, President,
Daisy Young, Reporter.

QUITMAN

The Meridian District Council met at the above named place in Shady Grove A. M. E. church, with the following ministers present: Revs. Hall and Polk of Laurel, Miss. Rev. Manson of Waynesboro, Miss. Revs. Phillips and Donald of Crandall, Miss. Revs. Morrell and I. E Fields of Meridian, Miss.

Rev. S. L. Donald was elected secretary. The business of Council was expedited in a christian way to the delight of all. The reception by the ladies, Mesdames McLendon, Smith, Hogan and others was unsurpassed. Rev. Hall of Laurel Station preached at night and proved himself a master in Isreal in the Lord's Work. Dr. Morrell, of Meridian Station extended an invitation for members in a masterly way but none accepted.

The good people of Quitman just proved that the cause of the master must not suffer in their hands.

The collection was fifteen dollars. The Council adjourned and an early return was their wish.

Dr. I. E. Fields, P. E.
Rev. S. L. Donald, Sec.

BAYSPRINGS

Dear Editor: May I have space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 146 is still alive. We had with us one of the state Agents on Jan. 30, 1931. He gave some wholesome advices We also added three new members. The lodge is in very good condition, but we hope to improve.

G. W. Quincy, President.
Eveline Rhodes, Secretary.

DEERBROOK

Dear Editor: This is to let the many readers know that lodge No. 317 is doing nicely. We feel like the dispensation is a blessing to us. We have added twenty-eight members to our lodge and have two more on file. We have paid our Dr. and medicine bills which amounted to $180.00 for the year of 1930, we also help the sick in our community. We are planning to have a sermon in order to swell our treasure. Pray that success will be ours.

I. M. Moore, President.
Rachel Moore, Secretary

DEKALB

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers of this little paper know that lodge No. 85 is getting along fine. We had our installation the 2nd Saturday in Jan. Brother Neeley was with us, and gave some timely remarks. We all enjoyed the remarks coming from President Neeley. Peace abide in our lodge. We are free from all bills, and have a good treasure. Yours for the H. B. A.

W. L. McDade, President.

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185	72.65	
189	44.80	
190	137.80	
192	12.45	
193	51.65	
194	88.05	
195	67.05	
196	65.65	
198	36.25	
199	19.45	
200	36.25	
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R. L. Y.

MOSELLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that we are doing fine, and our membership has been increasing since the dispensation has been on. We have added eight members to our lodge, and we feel that we are going to get some more. We are driving to the front to win the prize. We can not forget to pray. We need strong men to battle and win the victory. No. 390 was to late to ask for the March Board, but we are asking for the June Board. If we get the June Board, we feel that it will help our lodge wonderfully.

John Benson, President.

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Yours truly,
A. M. Walker.

LANGSDALE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Floyd announce the marriage of

the mother of the bride is a strong member of H. B. A. No. 95. The bride belongs to one of the oldest and best known families of Langsdale, Miss. A neice of Mrs. Laura Blanks having been reared in this community. She passes a wide circle of friends and these will regret that her marriage causes her to reside elsewhere. Heartiest congratulations will follow the groom and bride to their new home at Crandall, Miss.

Mrs. Sallie Pringle, Reporter.

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NOTICE

Those who are going to meet the Board at Biloxi, Mississippi on the 17th of March are requested to come to Gulfport and follow the Beach Road on the South Side of town, leading East to Biloxi. When you reach Biloxi follow the street car line which will leave the beach and will bring you straight through the heart of town until you get to the city hall which has a water fountain in front of it. That is Main Street, drive north of Main Street until you get to Main Street Baptist Church where the Board will convene March 17th.

V. R. Chambers, President.

LAUREL

Those who are going to meet the Board at Laurel, Mississippi, March 12th are kindly asked to come to St. Paul Methodist Church, Rev. Smith, pastor, with Mr. Jim Collins, president.

SHUBUTA

Dear Editor; Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know, that lodge No. 130 have lost one of its faithful members, in person of sister Annie Bell Hawkins. Sister Hawkins departed this life Feb. 3, 1931. She was a member of Green Hill Baptist Church and a teacher of the Sunday School. She leaves a husband, mother, two daughters, one son, one brother, a host of relatives and friends to mourn her lost. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

Buril Staten, President.
Mittie A. Nelson, Secretary.

SHUBUTA

Dear Editor: Please allow us space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 303 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of sister Jennie Dickerson. Sister Dickerson has been a member of our lodge for about three years, she died in good and regular standing. Sister Dickerson is going to be missed in our lodge, but we hope she has gone to rest.

Willie Adams, Reporter.

MT. OLIVE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many H. B. A.s know that lodge No. 116 is doing nicely. We have a very good memership. We are hoping to be one hundred strong this year. On our last regular meeting night, we had the pleasure of listening to our State Agent, Mr. Durr. He gave us some helpful instructions. After which all officers were installed by Mr. Durr. May the Lord bless our general President and Secretary. May they live a long time.

Matthew Rowe, President.
Irene Graham, Secretary.

LAMBERT

Dear Editor:- Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that I am yet alive and on the job. I visited lodge No. 437 and Brother J. Johnson is on the job and knows how to treat people when they come to his lodge. Bro. Johnson and his members have the H. B. A. at heart and meet on time. After we adjourned I made a call to No. 434 on some important business. So Brother Johnson Sister Stubbs went over and found No 434 opening its meeting, and I enjoyed myself there. I learned sometime ago not to take sides with everything you hear. Right here I want to say to all H. B. A. agents, let us be careful what we say or do, for there are some people who can not read, but their memory is very, very good. We should not throw rocks in the Sunday School, prayer meeting and in pulpits of God's for God has His eyes on all of us. I wish to state that lodge No. 434 is doing just fine and they have a pretty nice treasure. The following lodges are asking for the June Board: 434, 437, 387, 45, 386, 388, and 403 at Vance, Miss. In my last appeal let us make the H. B. A. what it ought to be.

Yours truly,
A. M. Walker.

LANGSDALE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Floyd announce the marriage of their daughter, Cleo to Mr. L. B. Jackson, of Butler Ala. on Sunday Jan. 25, 1931. The ceremony occured at 7:00 o'clock p. m. at Calvary Hill Baptist Church. Rev. J. B. Peters, Officiating Palm,' Ferns, Foliage Plants with cut flowers formed an impravised altar in front of the pulpit. The wedding group was conducted by Mrs. E. D. Pringle. The wedding march was rendered by Mrs. Sallie Pringle. The bridal party was formed with six candle girls and six flowers. Miss Willie G. Pugh and Miss Lucile Parker led the bridal party in the Church. Flowers were strewn by little Alice Floyd, sister of the bride. The bride entered with the best man Mr. C. W. Williams. The bride's veil was carried by her sister Mrs. Laura Eavens. The groom entered the South door with the bride's maid. Miss Lonnie M. Burdon. The bride and groom met at the altar, of ferns and hanging baskets filled with Ivry and cut flowers. The ceremony was impressively spoken by Rev. J. B. Peters. Prayer by Rev. W. B. Holton of Meridian, Miss. Soft music was rendered by Mrs. Sallie Pringle during the ceremony. The bride wore a costume of pink georgette crepe with Ecru lace trimmings, sand colored kid slippers and hose to match. Her flowers were a cluster of American beauty rose buds and bride wreath, long white kid gloves. Her necklace was pearls and ear screws to match. For traveling, Mrs. Jackson changed to a suit of black flat crepe and a black hat with black accessories, green kid slippers and gunmetal hose. Mrs. Litha Floyd the mother of the bride is a strong member of H. B. A. No. 95. The bride belongs to one of the oldest and best known families of Langsdale, Miss. A neice of Mrs. Laura Blanks having been reared in this community. She passes a wide circle of friends and these will regret that her marriage causes her to reside elsewhere. Heartiest congratulations will follow the groom and bride to their new home at Crandall, Miss.

Mrs. Sallie Pringle, Reporter.

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IMPORTANT

The news has reached the office that there are presidents, who are visiting H. B A. lodges making talks and installing officers. As General President, I want to serve notice on any local president or lodge who is allowing such to be done by the local president of other lodges, that you are strictly in violation to the law. Nobody is to install officers in H. B. A. lodges except a General Officer or an agent. The law provides that all installations shall be done by the General President or some one appointed by him. I have heard of several persons installing officers and said persons were not authorized by me to do so. Futher-more when any president does the work of an agent he is opening a gap by which he may be prosecuted by the state. We have a number of agents over the field who have purchased license to do agency work and we will not stand for the local presidents to deprive them of this opportunity. If any such proceedure is kept up, I am asking all concerned to notify the office.

E. F. Young, General President.

Good morning Mr. Editor: This is a fine day. I am feeling fine and I am proud to be living. God has been good to me and has kept me alive so let us pray that the Lord shall make things better for us and lead us on.

Halt, halt, Mr. Printer, don't close your paper until I get this message there. I want to say that while attending the Board at Hiwanee, Miss. in December the H. B. A. made me present of a broad cloth shirt and a neck tie, and I can't go without stopping and let you know that I thank you so much and am still smiling.
I thank the local presidents for having me to serve them last year and I am still at your service for 1931. So whenever you want me, write me at Desota Miss. P. O. Box 12. So lets go boys to the union station of 1931

Rev. H. Ray.

DEBTS

Every H. B. A. president and member who familiarizes him or herself with the work and doings of the H. B. A. through the Echo, Convention and Boards, knows that we have a heavy indebtedness on us for our new office Building. It is a miracle as to how we have held our own doing this great depression when so many business concerns are failing.

A white gentleman was talking with me over the telephone a few days ago and he desired to know how we were getting on from a business angle in the H. B A. He stated that he had been thinking of me and my father for some time. Knowing that we had undergone a great undertaken in the erection of our office building and aware of the depression, he feared that we were loosing out from a business stand-point. When I told him that we were able to report a slight gain in each Board, his remarks to me were "It takes a smart man or set of men to operate any business now and gain; not only that, but it takes a smart man or set of men to operate a business that continues to hold its own." As to whether those of us who have been placed at the head of the concern can be considered as smart or not, we leave it to the readers.

In discussing the business of the H. B. A. with the General President a few days ago, he made the following statement "There are too many local lodges with dollars in the banks, some drawing 4 per cent interest and some drawing nothing." He further stated that the Organization is paying 8 per cent interest on our borrowed money and this interest could be paid to our own people who are running the order, as well as it can be paid to other people. A local lodge that has from $25.00 upwards of surplus money, can easily loan this money to the Association at a rate of 8 per cent interest. With four hundred (400) local lodges scattered over the state we can easily raise five or ten thousand dollars from the local lodges and cut down on our indebtedness.

Someone may say we must take care of our doctor bills, that is alright, but if the great depression keeps on we will have to forget about the doctor and medicine bills and take care of the headquarters in order that we may receive $200. or more at our death. And again, money deposited with the H. B. A. is as safe as any bank. Friends, we have too many thousand dollars idle, while this debt is on, that could be in circulation and making money for yourselves. Think these things over we may have to call on you.

Secretary.

LAUDERDALE

Dear Editor: This is to let the readers of the Echo know that lodge No. 39 is yet holding the Banner for the H. B. A. We have added seven new members to our lodge and three renewals since the dispensation has been on. We feel that we have done our best in the drive, and yet we feel that there is something else yet to be done. We mean to continue to work for the up lift of our race in this community. Pray that success will be ours.

J. J. Overstreet, President.

MONTROSE

Dear Editor:- Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 285 is doing nicely. We are all working in harmony to make things hum. On our last meeting night we were honored with a visitor from H. B. A. No. 316, in the person of sister Eler Milsap. Sister Milsap gave a very timely talk on the good of the H. B. A. We are always glad to have visitors drop in and see how our lodge is getting along

H. A. Morgan, President.

VANCE

Dear Editor:- Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we are doing just fine. Our treasure is increasing and we are climbing. We have $14.00 in our treasure I think that is fine for these hard times. Our members are doing just fine. Pray for our success.

R. D. Moore, President.

LAUREL

Dear Editor:Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No 422 is doing nicely, and yet holding its own. We are steadily increasing our membership. We have gained forty six members since the dispensation has been on. We meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday nights, and we have large attendance. If ever in Laurel on our meeting night drop in to see us, we will entertain you the best we can. We ask the earnest prayers of each of you that we might continue to improve. We are 100 per cent for the H. B. A.

R. V. Pope, President.

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R. L. Y.

SHUBUTA

Dear Rev. Young: This comes to let you know that we appreciate your consideration of our lodge to hold the Board with us on the 10th of March. We are proud to have the privilege of intertaining same. This Board is to be held at the Mt. Zion M. E. Church. No trouble to find just opposite public school building. We would also appreciate seeing this on the pages of the Echo.

The H. B. A. lodge No. 127, held a public installation on the 5th of Feb. in the Public School Auditorium. The following officers were installed by our own Mrs. Carrie Jury agent: M. Pope, President. A. Graham, Vice President, Mrs. Carrie L. Cole, Secretary. A. H. Barlow assistant Sec. G. W. Heard Treasurer B. Connor, Chaplain. After installation services the committee in person of Mesdames Pugh, Dougherty, Falconer, Fisher, Jury and Thomas served refreshments furnished by the brothers of the lodge.

Our lodge under the president Mr. Pope, is on the upward move and nothing stands in the way of success.

Thanking you,

M. Pope, President.

(Mrs.) Carrie L. Cole, Secretary and Reporter.

EASTABUTCHIE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No.348 is getting along nicely. We had a lovely meeting Thursday night, we made one and have three more on file. All of our members áre makeing ready for the March Board. So hurry members and get your $1.40, stand for The Poor Man's Friend. Yours for a better lodge.

M.D.Evans Repoter.

BAD NEWS ON PRESIDENTS

For some time we have tried to refrain from exposing men in the H. B. A. who make mistakes, but the mistakes are so numerous now that we are really of the opinion that publication of these errors or wrong doings may help others. The General President and I visited Lodge No. 113, C. A. Neely, Local President. They had a member by the name of Mary Rush who was taken in since the December Board. She died Jan. 17, age reported at fifty-two. This might have been a good risk, but the office does not believe it. We believe that the members of No. 113 fudged on the Association. We also found that the President had in his possession $15.90 death claims and quarterly dues that receipts had been written for and the office had not received the money. It won't take long to tear up the H. B. A. at that rate.

C. L. PRINGLE

We are also suspicious with regards to a death in Bro. Pringle's lodge. A young man paid the Dec. assessment and died a few days ago of tuberculosis, according to reports. According to the physician's statement he had been attending this patient for three months. The office feels and believes that this was a bad risk put on the Association. The President and members might not have known that this person was sick, but the case is certainly suspicious.

REV. JIM GOODWIN

We have a death report blank from Rev. Jim Goodwin of Macon, for his mother who has been in the H. B. A. about two years. Rev. Goodwin looks to be at least fifty or fifty-five years of age. I don't know how many grown children he has, however, he reports his mother as being forty-nine. He is the beneficiary.

It is alleged that Winnie Goodwin, the mother of Rev. Goodwin is between seventy-five and ninety years of age. There have been a lot of dirty acts and tricks of rascality around Macon among the representatives of the H. B A. A good place for these people who go out and take unfair means to collect death claims is the penitentiary or county road. We have tried to persuade and beg all to do right. Two or three other suspicious cases are on hand and we will let you hear from us in the next issue. It may be remembered that Rev. Goodwin collected on a married daughter in the last board who had divorced from her husband. To tell you the truth I felt funny about that one and, know there is some thing wrong in the case of his mother, don't know how many grand children he has. This seems to be a bad case

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W. R. SMITH

According to reports, president W. R. Smith of Magee, Miss. had a member to die December 29, 1930. The member joined in December 1929 one year ago. According to the physician's statement this member has been suffering with heart trouble for about two years and he has been under the treatment of the doctor for one year. He has been in the H. B. A. one year. I am wondering as to whether president W. R. Smith and all the members of his lodge knew nothing about Henry Hudson's health. The H. B. A. can not live long at this friends. You just as well to expect the Death Claims to be cut from $220.00 to $175.00 if our local presidents and members keep this up.

Roy L. Young.

FROM A PRESIDENT

Rev. R. L. Young, Dear Friend: why do you write to me every time some of my members fail to pay their Death Claim money telling me that they aint in good standing? I know they aint in good standing and want be til they pay their Death Claim, but they jes aint got it. When they git it, I wil send it in and if they don't never git it and give it to me I can't never send it in.

Editor's Notes:

We get a number of letters such as the letter above. Some of our presidents seem to think that we do wrong when we notify them with regards to their lodges. Well, I guess all of us are doing the best we can.

Notice

The dispensation continues until the March Boards close. Hustle boys, work hard and give us one hundred more members.

SECRETARY.

HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say, that lodge No. 293 is doing nicely. We gave an old folks concert Thursday evening Jan.

QUITMAN

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 203 is still alive and moving on, but don't know how much longer we will go. If times

it in some parts of the country. So now, you all see how some of us stand So if any of you people in or around Meridian need any syrup, peas, peanuts, potatoes, stove wood, fire wood, rabbits, call me up at once

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Secretary.

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HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say, that lodge No. 293 is doing nicely. We gave an old folks concert Thursday evening Jan. 29th. And oh! how every-body did enjoy themselves. Some of our friends want us to repeat this concert. Our collection for that night was $10.00. We also have a nice sum in treasure and don't owe any Dr. bills. Hurrah! Hurrah! for Mt. Vernon lodge No. 293.

Mrs. Lena Johnson, President.

BOND

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 198 are yet climbing to the top. On last Saturday night we made two new members, and took in three renewals. Pray that we might continue to add new members to our lodge. We love No. 198, we love our president, they do too. We are trying to do our best to help him think the best and when we think, yes we pray.

Viola Batson, Reporter.

NOTICE

Dear Editor: Give me space in the column of the Echo to say to the many friends and presidents who are meeting the **M**arch Board at Newton, **M**ississippi that the Board will be held in St. Cloud **M**. B. Church. You are requested to come down the old Jackson highway from Newton two miles until you get to the first road crossing, then turn north and travel one fourth of a mile and that is the place of meeting in the St. Cloud **M**. B. Church.

W. E. Chapman, President.

CORRECTION

Those who read the Echo for Jan. 15, will note that we published Amanda Allen was to be paid off **H**. B. A. No. 69. It should have been No. 67 **M**rs. **M**attie Trussell, president. No. 69 is presided over by president Isom English, who called our attention to this error, and we gladly corrected same.

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W. T. Tate, Brooksville, Mississippi
James Rodgers, Columbla, Miss.
M. Pope, Shubuta, Mississippi

QUITMAN

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 203 is still alive and moving on, but don't know how much longer we will go. If times stay this way long we won't go far. I want to say to the General President and Secretary, if something can not be arranged for the people to do, I don't know what will happen. It doesn't mean that we don't like the Order but it means that we can't get the stuff what it takes to stay up. All crops went to the bad in this part of the country and cotton sold at half price, so it took it all to pay the first bill that just left us poor farmers standing looking the way it went. And such as we got to sell now, we can hardly sell it at any price.

Just say last year this time, we were getting $2.50 per bushel for peas. and we only get $1.00 in trade no money at all. Sweet potatoes $.75 per bushel and now we can't sell them at any price. Peanuts $2.00 per bu. now $.88 in trade no money. Now do you see how we can make it with no work at all around to make a dime? Oh, you may say sell eggs and chicken and such like, but at $.15 per dozen for eggs and $0.17 per pound for chicken a man can't buy feed to feed them at that price, for if they get anything to to eat it will have to come that way, because the people just didn't make it in some parts of the country. So now, you all see how some of us stand So if any of you people in or around Meridian need any syrup, peas, peanuts, potatoes, stove wood, fire wood, rabbits, call me up at once for I am in need for some money I mean now. It is tax paying time here and the sheriff said there are only two things to do, pay or die. And I have no money to pay him with. I am hoping and looking for a better day.

Yours for the growth of the H. B. A.

C. W. Hearns.

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CONDUCT OF AGENTS, LOCAL PRESIDENTS AND LODGES

In the last issue we wrete an article with regards to the local presidents. The heading of said article was "BAD NEWS ON PRESIDENTS". We are going to change that heading and hereafter when there are reports of unbecoming conduct on agents, presidents and members, we shall use the above heading. Since the last issue we have written our president, Rev. Jim Goodwin, but at this writing we have not heard from him, however, we have received further informaiion with regards to his deceased mother. The statement received is as follows: "She was ninety years old." My! My! what a pity. According to my knowledge this woman was put in the H. B. A. by Rev. Goodwin and agent Esau Sledge the latter part of 1929. They sent an application blank to the office stating that she was fifty-four. Rev. Goodwin filled out a death report blank and stated she was forty-nine. How long can the H. B. A. live at this dying rate?

REV. C. L. PRINGLE

We have further information regarding the death in Rev. C. L. Pringle's lodge. According to the information received this person was sick a long time before he joined the H. B. A And at the time he joined and was issued a policy he was being treated for T. B. My! My! is it a real fact that our people will suck the life blood out of the order in such a way as this? All of these mistakes and wrong doings can not be placed on the presidents alone, the members are guilty of the same acts and I am of the opinion that these local lodges need to be fined and expelled for such unbecoming conduct.

PRESIDENT WILLIE NEAL

We also have a report that president Willie Neal of Macon, Miss. put his father in the H. B. A. a little more than twelve months ago. Daniel Neal joined the H. B. A. in the 10th month 1929 and has paid about four assessments. According to the reports he joined under Esau Sledge a little more than a year ago. According to reports Daniel Neal is about eighty years old. He died last Dec. If all of the reports are true with regards to the dishonesty among the agents, presidents and members, this is nothing but high way robbery. Friends, we must put a stop to this kind of work in the H. B. A. and the only way we can stop it is to expose every body concerned. Look out boys I am coming.

PRESIDENT WILLIE NEAL AND AGENT ESAU SLEDGE

In looking over one of the report blanks of the deceased Daniel Neal, he was about fifty six years old when he died in December. His son, Willie Neal, joined the H. B. A. July 1929 at the age of forty-nine, according to the application blank. Bro. Willie Neal was forty-nine years old in July 1929 in five months from now, according to this report, he will be fifty-one years of age. The father was about fifty-six two months ago. After figuring on the age of the father and son, according to these reports, Willie Neal was born when his father was five years old. I am sure ere now he has hundreds of grand children. Be sure your sins will find you out. It is impossible to stop up all of the gaps, holes, and loose places whenever you do wrong.

Secretary.

WE SHOULD CUT THE DEATH CLAIMS TO $200.00

Dear Editor:- Since I have read your article in the last issue of our paper, and see where so many of our presidents and agents are putting all kind of folks, old folks, sick folks, broke down and worn out folks, in our societies, I am afraid we can not live long at that rate. I am president of lodge No. 1 Vimville, Miss. I am also General Treasurer of the Association. I want to advise that you and the General President do your best to pay off as many of these deceased claims as possible. I believe that we should cut Death Claims to about $200.00 since so many presidents are acting rascals and putting anything on the Association. If we don't cut the Death Claims, these folks are going to tear the H. B. A. up. The way I seethings, if we don't cut ourselves, they are going to make us cut, in that we are going to have so many deaths left over that we must catch up. I am not in favor of paying more than $1.40 per member under the present conditions and if these presidents and agents keep on they are going to make us pay $2.00 per member. As you say, the members are to blame as much so as we presidents. Times are hard now and some of these scoundrels want to make their living by unfair means on the H. B. A. At this rate they are going to make us cut the Death Claims to a hundred dollars ($100.00).

Yours for the H. B. A.,
I. M. Martin, General Treasurer,
and president of lodge No. 1,
Vimville, Mississippi.

H. B. A. BOARDS MEET AS FOLLOWS

Brooksville, Mississippi, Monday March 2nd, W. T. Tate, President.
Meridian, Miss., Thursday Mar. 5th.
Shubuta, Miss., Tuesday Mar. 10th. M. Pope, President.
Laurel, Miss., Thursday Mar. 12th. Jim Collins, President.
Biloxi, Miss., Tuesday Mar. 17th. V. R. Chambers, President.
Columbia, Miss., Thursdry Mar. 19 th. Jas. Rodgers, President.
Newton, Miss., Tuesday Mar. 24th. W. E. Chapman, President.

All presidents are requested to collect $1.40 Death Claims, Quarterly Dues etc.

We have received several letters from presidents stating that they will make round reports in the March Board. We are earnestly urging each president to do his or her best. Be sure to collect from each member of your lodge.

SPECIAL SALE ON H. B. A. CAPS AND BADGES

During the session of the Boards, we are going to sell H. B. A. caps for 10 cents. Badges $.60. All persons who desire to get in on these low prices are requested to send for caps and badges during the session of the Boards. H. A. B. pins will sell for the regular price.

Secretary.

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CRITICAL

Else where in this issue there appears a splendid article, which contains the thoughts of president I. M. Martin of H. B. A. No. 1. President Martin is also General Treasurer of the Association. He is the president of the first lodge that was organized under the new administration twenty years ago If I am not mistaken, he was at the funeral of the first H. B. A. who died, and the total amount of Death Claims paid was 75c for one death. He has struck some vital Points in his article with regards to the life of the Association. If something is not done, its a fact the Death Claims paid are going to be less, they will automatically cut themselves the way some of our representatives are going on. Is it better to cut the Death Claims to $200.00 or cut these bad limbs off that are existing in the H. B. A.? This is a question that must be answered by the presidents and members. One of these two things must be done. The Death Claims must be cut or these bad limbs must be cut. Presidents and members it is up to you. If you allow, these sick, broken down folks, together with these folks who are too old to be brought into the H. B. A., it means that you prefer that the Death Claims automatically be cut. We have too many presidents and members who decide that they will keep quiet when these violators will grow their lodges by unfair means, but don't forget brethren, you will pay for it. I am sure we have eight or ten suspicious deaths in the office now. We have begged that those of you who are on the field and at these local lodges help us to protect the Association. If you don't do it you may expect for us to send out the assessment for you to pay. It is easier for the General President to say for you to pay $1.40 than it is for you to pay it.

General Secretary.

BROOKSVILLE

Dear Editor: Give me space in the Echo to let the many H. B. A. friends know that we lost one of our faithful members in the person of sister May L. Tailor. She departed this life on the 14th. of Feb. 1931. She was a great member of Hopewell Baptist Church. She love and was loved by all who knew her. She is our lost, but we hope she is heaven's gain.

W. T. Tate, President.

Dear Editor: In traveling in different sections of the county and meeting different people, Pres. and members of the H. B. A. and listing at some of the out side people talk and getting first hand information for the H. B. A I am reliably informed that lodge No. 331 down about Brook haven, Miss., of which Willie Porter is president is really violating the law. Those people down there are taking in broken down, worn out and sick persons. That is one big trouble as why our assessment stay so high. Nobody reports such doings to the office, but I have decided I am going to let you know about it.

Signed. ----------------

Editors Note: I with-held the name of the person who wrote me, but we are going to have some cleaning up among presidents and whole lodges in the H. B. A. We are tired of these unfair doings. Look out Bro. Porter and members, wherever there is smoke there is fire some where.

IMPORTANT

All presidents are urged to meet the Board strictly at 9:00 o'clock. We want to do this in order that we can get through with our collections, pay off, and be back home before night.

Secretary.

BROOKHAVEN

Dear Editor: Pleas allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 330 is on an upward march. We are doing real H. B. A. work. We pay all Dr. and Drug bills, we try with all our heart to treat all of our members the same. I am praying that the Lord will open a way for us to make a round report for the March Board. The Lord has been good to lodge No. 330, we have been organized for three years and haven't had a single death so far. Presidents and members, please let us look for the good of the H. B. A.

Mrs. Resa Scarbough, President.

PRESIDENT JIM COLLINS

We have a death now from President Jim Collins, at Laurel, Miss. This person joined tye H. B. A. in Nov. and paid the December assessment and died Feb. The member's name is Hattie Corner. She might have been in good health when she joined, but some how the office feels suspicious when so many folks join the H. B. A. pay from one to four assessments and some time no assessments and then die. Look out Bro. Collins.

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BASSFIELD

Dear Editor: This comes to inform the readers of the Echo that one of our members in the person of sister Jenetta Hollaway McLeod passed away Jan. 26th. Sister Jennetta was born in 1868, she was 62 years of age. She is suvived by nine children.
Mesdames Barnes, Johnson and Bruce. Mr. Hugh Hawkins and Reedes McLeod of Bassfield, Miss. Mr. John Mc Leod of Birmingham, Ala. Mrs. Minnie Price of Collins, Miss. Miss Martha McLeod of Kosciusko, Miss. Mrs. Minnie Hollaway, the mother of the deceased is 84 years old. She stood by the bedside of her daughter until the last, together with her other four daughters. Mrs. Laura Gray of Mt. Olive, Miss. Mrs. Lizzie Gray of Prentiss, Miss., and Mrs. Phelie Speights of Prentiss, Miss.

She leaves a host of relatives to Mourn her lost. Sister Jennetta was a member of Holly Springs C. M. C. church for a number of years. She was a member of H. B. lodge No. 57, she was loved and respected by her many friends. Her funeral was attended by her pastor Rev. H. B. Leach of Meridian, Miss. Though she sleeps in the silent city of the dead, her parting shall never be forgotton. The expected death brought a cloud of sadness, but we feel that our lost is heaven's gain. May God bless and comfort the bereaved ones.

W. C. McLeod, President.

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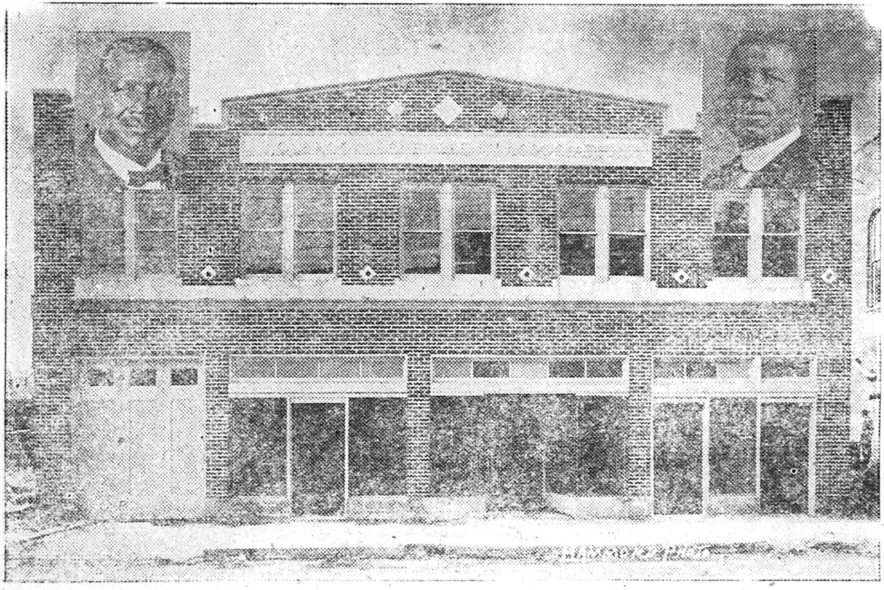

During this great depression it has had a steady growth For each lapse of 100 members, there was a gain of 125 members for 1930. The two insets are the Revs. E. F. and R. L. Young. Father and Son. Both are dependable leaders. Where they lead the people follow.

DEKALB

Dear Editor: Please allow me space to say that the death angel has visited our lodge No. 113 and has taken one of our best members in the person of Bro. I. V. Brown. He departed this life Feb. 8th. He leaves a wife, one son a host of friends to mourn his passing.

Brother Brown left home singing "I am glad salvation is free." He died in his car on the way to his home. He was buried with H. B. A. honors. Bro. Brown has been a member of the H. B. A. several years.

Mamidale Neeley, Reporter.

LAUREL

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 430 nas lost one of its members, in the person of Hattie Corner. She departed this life Sunday Feb. 15th. She leaves to mourn her passing two sons and a host of friends. She was a loyal member to her lodge and was loved by all who knew her.

Mrs. M. E. Benson, Reporter.
Jim Collin, President.

VANCE

Dear Editor:- Please allow me space in the column of the Echo to let the many readers know that we are still pushing forward. We have one application on file waiting for our next meeting, and we are expecting more I wish to speak a few words in regards of the H. B. A. I want the many friends of the Association to know that the H. B. A. is one of the best orders in the state.

There are three principles that make this assooiation of ours great. First, it speak for itself, second, others speak for it and third it does what it speak for.

Sturdivant Chapel Lodge No. 434 is in love and peace. I want to thank our General President for his long extenxion of dispensation. He has given us time to prove what we can or cannot do. He has been very nice to us as a whole, and we pray that the Lord will bless him in all that he may undertake to do, for we are working for the interest of the H. B. A. So may God bless every true hearted H. B. A.

Rev. R. D. Moore, President,
Prentiss Darden, Secretary.

PELAHATCHEE

Dear Editor:

Please give me space in the Echo for the news of our H. B. A. lodge No. 416. We have a very good membership. We have had a very good membership and it seems to be getting better. We have had several members on the sick list during the month of February, but we still have a good treasury, and we are trying to abide by the laws of the constitution. We are not taking in any members over fifty-five years of age and none that are sick. Of course, we can never tell when one is going to die, since that is God's plan already worked out. Our lodge is growing during the dispensation. We have taken in forty-four members. We hope to continue to greater success and a standard of quality. All members of lodge No. 416 are requested to keep on mind the $1.40 March assessment. So we are trying to pull together and be true H. B. A.s.

W. M. Easterling, President.
W. C. Cochrel, Reporter.

COLLINS

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 428 is yet alive. Some of our members are trying to put the program over. And we have some who don't think of doing anything. Some of our members are as dead limbs on a live tree, we hate to let them go, but it does seem that we will have to. As president I have tried to show my people what the H. B. A. mean to them, but some of them get in time they think they are going to get sick and as soon as the Dr. bill is paid they fall out. Such members are not only a pull down to the local ledges, but to the whole association. I am going to try to make a round report in the March Board. Pray that we may have success in our lodge.

Rev. E. L. Crosby, President.

NOTICE

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CONDUCT OF AGENTS, PRESIDENTS AND MEMBERS

Bro. Matthew Powell, ex-president of No. 110 has failed to conduct himself as he should with regards to reporting all moneys turned over to him for the December Death Claims Quarterly Dues and Building fee. A committee has reported that Bro. Powell has approximately $15.00 in his possession that he collected in December. A shame and disgrace on our people handling public funds.

DOES A DISPENSATION PAY

I have had quite a few persons to ask if a dispensation in the H. B. A. pays. I will answer by saying, that depends. It is up to the presidents, members and agents to see to it that the proper material is brought in the H. B. A. A lodge, agent or president who will do the wrong thing in a dispensation will do the same thing in an ordinary meeting. I am sure that there are members of the H. B. A. who really know of bad cases that have been put on the association, but they refused to notify the office. All a president or member has to do is notify the office with regards to these bad risks, and we will refuse to issue a policy without disposing any one; but as long as you sit supinely by and allow these bad risks to be imposed on us you may expect to suffer.

Secretary.

PORTERVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 354 is still doing fine. We have more than double our membership since the dispensation has been on. We have been organized four years and have not had a single member to die. We have been abiding by the constitution in receiving members. We have some applications on file for next meeting. We also say that peace and love abide through our lodge. Our local president has been real sick, but he is much improved. We all are glad to know that he is able to be up and on the upward road again.

Rev. J. E. Grace, President.
A. B. Grant, Secretary.

LAKE COMO

Dear Editor: Please give me space in your paper to say a few words to the readers. I am writing about the unjust way our people of the H. B. A. order are doing. The right thing to do is to cut out paying off some of the unjust claims. When you find such men and women robbing the Order just cut them off. The Order will grow better when people find out we will not Pay off such illegal claims. I would advise that you hold down on those unjust claims and refund whatever moneys paid in the order. I don't think it is advisable to cut the death benefits from $220.00 on account of the unfair and unjust doings of the local presidents and members I don't agree with our friend and brother in cutting the death benefits from $220.00 to a lower amount. I will stand by you just as long as I live. I have been watching the order grow every since I have been a member. So I will stop right now.

Rev. C. H. Crosby, President.

BROOKHAVEN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that our lodge, No. 362, is doing fine. We have been organized two years and four months and haven't had but one death. On Feb. 24th, 1931, the death angel visited our lodge and took one of our faithful members, in the person of sister Cora Hooker. Sister Hooker leaves to mourn her passing a loving husband, one son, a mother, two daughters, three sisters a host of relatives and friends. She was a faithful member in the H. B. A. She was also a member of Hopewell M. B. Church. It is our lost, but we feel that it is heaven's gain.

CARMICHAEL

Dear Editor: I have just received the Echo for the 15th, and 1st of Mar. I received both papers the same day. I was very much surprised to read an article concerning a dead member of No. 95. Dear Sir, you have received some information about this member that I neither the local lodge knew. There is a mistake concerning this young man's death. There are two more boys in the family and one of them was sick under the doctor for three months, but he is well and doing fine here at home. Rev. Young, this young man's application was received in our lodge the last meeting night in August 1930 and the application blank laid on file for thirty days. He was not made until the Sept. Board was over and at the time the application was received, said young man was working every day on public job and his father has the boss's bills to show that he was working and drawing his pay check every two weeks. Now, if he was sick, he could not have held his job and worked. I certainly would not have taken his application had he been sick. Sometime in the fall he took sick with the measles and happened to be feeling better, he decided he would go to town and get him some ice cream after eating the ice cream he took a back set and never did recover. Now, all of this was God's plan. This young man was in prime of his life. He was only twenty-one years old. Our motto on our fans says "Join today and die to-morrow you are in full benefit with a policy in hand." We can't keep the people from dying. My heavenly Father has His own way of bringing men and a few days ago a lady went to the post office here in Carmichael to mail some letters and while there she dropoed dead. But My! My! she was not an H. B. A. If she had been it would have looked suspicious to us for her to die all at once, but this was God's plan to bring her in. Another preacher and I went to see this member of lodge No. 95 the third Sunday in December 1930 and he told us that he had been sick one week. We read the Bible and prayed with him. I have been told that there is a certain lodge that has paid a fine and they want to see No. 95 fined and suspended. We have not committed a crime and for that reason we are not afraid. We are ready to meet our foes.

I have been a member of the H. B A. eleven years, a president ten years and an agent nine years. I have never taken in any sick members. This is the blue string. I was made an H. B. A. in Meridian and have stretched it all the way down the M & O to State Line, Mississippi and am still stretching it. I have added eighteen more members to the Association

Yours for the Order,
Rev. C. L. Pringle.

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FROM REV. JIM GOODWIN

MACON, MISSISSIPPI

Rev. R. L. Young,
Say Rev. Young: I have a letter from Jackson, Tenn. from the undertaker. I wrote him that you said that you are not not going to pay anything for mother's death and he said he is going to have his money. Mr. Dick Dare here in Macon said he need his and I told him that you said you were not going to pay it. So you can do to suit yourself. You know for yourself that you sent out the death proof and it was signed. I don't know what to say about you. You are not the man I took you to be. Say, I know you have a plenty money because we give it to you, but we did not give it to you for you to run over us on this end. I have put a thousand dollars in your hands since I have been in the H. B. A. You have no right to treat me that way. I know I may be counted as a rascal, but you do right.

Rev. Jim Goodwin.

EDITOR'S NOTE

The above letter was written to me since the board was held at Brooksville by Rev. Goodwin. I do not want the public and members of the H. B. A. to conceive tne idea that I have a desire to do wrong. As I have stated before, Rev. Goodwin's mother has paid four Quarterly assessments. The first assessment was paid Dec. 1929. She died in Jan. 1931. She joined the Association at the age of 88 according to reports. She was nearer 89 than she was 88, however, when she died she was 90 years old according to the report. Rev. Goodwin said that he had put $1,000.00 in my hands since he has been in the H. B. A. Rev. Goodwin is president of three lodges and I have checked up on all of the reports that he has made since he has been president up to the Mar. Board for all three of his lodges and all three of these lodges, according to my report, have reported $303.45 and yet he writes that he has put over a thousand dollars in my hands. If he writes me such as that I am sure that he tells the public the same thing I do not feel that it is fair to me to be unjustly accused. Suppose he has put into my hands a thousand dollars is it not a fact that we put the money right back into the people's hands before we leave the Boards? Why would my friend insist on the poor people, some to whom he is preaching and baptising by carrying them under the water, paying this claim. Let us see if Rev. Goodwin in less than two years has gotton much more out of the H. B. A. than he and all three of his lodges have put in. We have paid Rev. Goodwin for two claims namely Sid Pippin and Winnie Jones. These two claims amount to $440.00. By subtracting $303.45 from $440.00 there is a difference of $136.55 therefore, Rev. Goodwin and his lodges have received $136.55 more than they have put in and he is now trying to collect $220.00 more and if paid it would equal $356.55 more than he has brought to the Association. Rev. Goodwin is a minister and I tried to handle the matter at the Board in Brooksville in a way that it would be fair to all concerned and after talking with Rev. Goodwin he thought and agreed in open meeting to drop the whole affair. May I ask what should be done with a man like this? Will the body of organized H. B. A.s demand that this claim be paid or do you want us to abide by the law? I have tried to do the right thing and I now turn the whole affair into the hands of the Association. If all of the folks say lets pay it, it is your business. We have several more like it. Let me hear from you. Brother Goodwin said that I have plenty of money because "We give it to ysu, but we didnot give it to you for you to run over us on on this end." Suppose all of the local presidents' reports would average the amount that Rev. Goodwin's reports per year per lodge. What does he mean when he says "We gave it to you"? Be sure your sins will find you out. The report of $303.45 does not include the March reports, however $90.85 has been reported for the March Board. This will make a total $394.30. We were giving the amount paid up until the death of his mother.

Come clean Rev. Goodwin, don't beat the devil around the stump. Why did you say your mother was 49 years old when she died? You know all of us believe you are between 55 and 60. How can a son be older than his mother? Who got here first?

MELVIN ALA.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that I am for the H. B. A. I don't think it would be right to cut the beneficaries, but I do think it is right for the association to find and suspend the members and presidents of these lodges who are taking in old and worn out members. If this was done and some of them would die while out this would stop so many wrong doings. Some of these presidents and members mean to make their living from putting in dead members in this order, but why not do as I do, work honest for a living. I am living at home and board at the same place.

Reporter.

LAUREL

Dear Editor; Please
allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 76 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of sister Ada Crosby. Sister Crosby passed away Feb. 12th, after a few hours of suffering. Sister Crosby leaves a husband, four children, a mother, five sisters, five brothers a host of relatives and friends to mourn her passing. Mrs. Ella Morrell, President of lodge No. 76 is the mother of the deceased member. We hope our lost is heaven's gain. May God bless and comfort the bereaved family.

Mrs. Ella Morrell, President.

DEERBROOK

Dear Editor: This is to let the many readers know that lodge No. 317 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Bro. Hal Phillips Bro. Phillips departed this life Jan. 1st. He was a dutiful member to his lodge and church. His death was a shock to this community. He leaves a father mother, two brothers and a host of friends to mourn his passing.
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I. M. Moore, President.

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MACON, MISSISSIPPI

Rev. R. L. Young,

Say Rev. Young: I have a letter from Jackson, Tenn. from the undertaker. I wrote him that you said that you are not not going to pay anything for mother's death and he said he is going to have his money. Mr. Dick Dare here in Macon said he need his and I told him that you said you were not going to pay it. So you can do to suit yourself. You know for yourself that you sent out the death proof and it was signed. I don't know what to say about you. You are not the man I took you to be. Say, I know you have a plenty money because we give it to you, but we did not give it to you for you to run over us on this end. I have put a thousand dollars in your hands since I have been in the H. B. A. You have no right to treat me that way. I know I may be counted as a rascal, but you do right.

Rev. Jim Goodwin.

EDITOR'S NOTE

The above letter was written to me since the board was held at Brooksville by Rev. Goodwin. I do not want the public and members of the H. B. A. to conceive the idea that I have a desire to do wrong. As I have stated before, Rev. Goodwin's mother has paid four Quarterly assessments. The first assessment was paid Dec. 1929. She died in Jan. 1931. She joined the Association at the age of 88 according to reports. She was nearer 89 than she was 88, however, when she died she was 90 years old according to the report. Rev. Goodwin said that he had put $1,000.00 in my hands since he has been in the H. B. A. Rev. Goodwin is president of three lodges and I have checked up on all of the reports that he has made since he has been president up to the Mar. Board for all three of his lodges and all three of these lodges, according to my report, have reported $303.45 and yet he writes that he has put over a thousand dollars in my hands. If he writes me such as that I am sure that he tells the public the same thing I do not feel that it is fair to me to be unjustly accused. Suppose he has put into my hands a thousand dollars is it not a fact that we put the money right back into the people's hands before we leave the Boards? Why would my friend insist on the poor people, some to whom he is preaching and baptising by carrying them under the water, paying this claim. Let us see if Rev. Goodwin in less than two years has gotton much more out of the H. B. A. than he and all three of his lodges have put in. We have paid Rev. Goodwin for two claims namely Sid Pippin and Winnie Jones. These two claims amount to $440.00. By subtracting $303.45 from $440.00 there is a difference of $136.55 therefore, Rev. Goodwin and his lodges have received $136.55 more than they have put in and he is now trying to collect $220.00 more and if paid it would equal $356.55 more than he has brought to the Association. Rev. Goodwin is a minister and I tried to handle the matter at the Board in Brooksville in a way that it would be fair to all concerned and after talking with Rev. Goodwin he thought and agreed in open meeting to drop the whole affair. May I ask what should be done with a man like this? Will the body of organized H. B. A.s demand that this claim be paid or do you want us to abide by the law? I have tried to do the right thing and I now turn the whole affair into the hands of the Association. If all of the folks say lets pay it, it is your business. We have several more like it. Let me hear from you. Brother Goodwin said that I have plenty of money because "We give it to ysu, but we didnot give it to you for you to run over us on on this end." Suppose all of the local presidents' reports would average the amount that Rev. Goodwin's reports per year per lodge. What does he mean when he says "We gave it to you"? Be sure your sins will find you out. The report of $303.45 does not include the March reports, however $90.85 has been reported for the March Board. This will make a total $394.30. We were giving the amount paid up until the death of his mother.

Come clean Rev. Goodwin, don't beat the devil around the stump. Why did you say your mother was 49 years old when she died? You know all of us believe you are between 55 and 60. How can a son be older than his mother? Who got here first?

MELVIN ALA.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that I am for the H. B. A. I don't think it would be right to cut the beneficaries, but I do think it is right for the association to find and suspend the members and presidents of these lodges who are taking in old and worn out members. If this was done and some of them would die while out this would stop so many wrong doings. Some of these presidents and members mean to make their living from putting in dead members in this order, but why not do as I do, work honest for a living. I am living at home and board at the same place.

Reporter.

LAUREL

Dear Editor; Please
allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 76 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of sister Ada Crosby. Sister Crosby passed away Feb. 12th, after a few hours of suffering. Sister Crosby leaves a husband, four children, a mother, five sisters, five brothers a host of relatives and friends to mourn her passing. Mrs. Ella Morrell, President of lodge No. 76 is the mother of the deceased member. We hope our lost is heaven's gain. May God bless and comfort the bereaved family.

Mrs. Ella Morrell, President.

DEERBROOK

Dear Editor: This is to let the many readers know that lodge No. 317 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Bro. Hal Phillips Bro. Phillips departed this life Jan. 1st. He was a dutiful member to his lodge and church. His death was a shock to this community. He leaves a father mother, two brothers and a host of friends to mourn his passing.
We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

I. M. Moore, President.

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BROOKSVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 185 has lost one of its oldest members in the person of sister Martha Henderson. She departed this life on Feb. 28th 1931. She leaves to mourn her passing a brother and a host of friends.
Sister Henderson was a member of the Greenfield Baptist Church. She was loved by those who knew her. She is our lost, but we are praying that she is heaven's gain.

Walter T. Tate, President.

DEKALB

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers know that lodge No. 114 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Mrs. Margie Roberts. Sister Roberts departed this life Tuesday Feb. 3rd. Sister Roberts has been a member of this lodge for three years. She was a member who was always ready and willing to do her best.

C. S. Hampton, President.

COLUMBIA

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that our lodge is doing nicely. Love, peace and harmony always prevail in our lodge. I noticed an article written by Bro. I. M. Martin. He is right, but I would like to refer to all members and presidents and especially to genneral officers to read article 12 on page 12 under section 1, article 2 page 21 and section 1. Article 10 page 30 section 1 and read and see if there are not enough laws to give all rascals, presidents and false applications, and again cut out the dispensation as the H. B. A. is cheap enough as it is and we won't take so many people who are ready to call Beal & Strayhorn undertaker. Now let our slogan be "straight forward and honesty"

T. Corner, Reporter.

MONTROSE

Dear Editor:- Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 316 is striving to do things that are right. In regards to do things that are right, we have so many local lodges that are not thinking about this. **H**. B A. No. 316 thinks a great deal of the H. B. A., but after looking over the March Echo finding that it was fill-with so much concerning the local presidents, I feel that something is going on wrong among the presidents. I also read an article written by Bro. I. M. **Martin** relative to cutting the death benefits from $220.00 to $200.00. I wish to state that I am against this step altogether. I don't think such an article should have appeared on the face of the Echo. First, because it will readily discourage the local lodges. Most all of the lodges know that such a cut in death benefit will cause so many of our members to drop out. As a rule the big fish eats up the little fish, but we have our eyes open looking on all sides. I don't think the local presidents should be critizised for taking in people who are too old, sick and wornout, but the office is to blame in parts, because it is the gate way in which members have to enter. I think the dispensation was too lengthy.

James Walton, President.
Fannie Walton, Reporter.

MCLAIN

Dear Editor:- This comes to let the many readers know that lodge No. 355 is doing nicely. The president is doing every thing possible to make a round report in the March Board. we are planning to take care of the June Board here at State Line as we have never had a Board here. **It** will certainly improve our lodge. We are still adding members to our lodge. We are asking everybody concerned to please let us have the June Board.

Edward Burley, President.
Iretta Massey, Reporter.

CLIFTONVILLE

Dear Editor: Here I am again knocking at the door of the Echo. **H**oping not to be turned away. Hence, allow me to say that lodge No. 400 is high upon the mountain and can not come down. We had one Goliath who made war on the H. B. A. and with his helment of criticism and his spear of reproach, he would strut out each day and challenge to fight the order of the H. B. A., and often we could stand it no longer. We shaped ourselves in the form of a David and got a sling determination and a few stones of common sense and took good aim at the head of the Goliath and the stone struck him on t**he** foe-head and he fell a victim to the ground. Then we served his head from his body put upon a pinnacle and came marching back to H. B. A. lodge No. 400 and the cry was that our lodges had slain their thousands, but H. B. A. No. 400 has planned its ten thousand. So thi**s** Goliath is a candidate to get the goat at our next meeting and he says he will fight as hard for us as he did against us. Pardon me for this long article. But I want you t**o** know the way that H. B. A. No. 400 does business.

Wm. Williams, Reporter.

CLIFTONVILLE

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to publish a few lines of poetry:
Subject:-

"THANK YOU, LORD FOR THE H. B. A."

Lifting up their faces white
Hearts bri**m**ful of sunshine bright,
Little daisies seem to say
Thank you, Lord, for the H. B. A.

Stream twinkling as they flow
Though the meadows green below,
Tell in their own happy way
Thank you Lord, for the H. B. A.

Hear the dear birds on their wings
Joyfully their voices ring,
While they praise full tribute pay,
Thank you Lord, for the H. B. A.

Thank you Lord, the people sing,
Sweet and dear and glad notes ring,
Marching through this sunlit way
Thank you Lord, for the H. B. A.

Mrs. L. A. Gavin.

WALNUT GROVE

Dear Editor: Allow us space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 435 is yet alive and all of the members are working together like bees. We know the times are hard and we are praying hard. We feel that prayer and work will put the program over. Agent Woods says we must meet the demand of the order so you may know we will do just what he says do. You can look for a round report in March. We hope to entertain the June Board. We love the H. B. A. We find that nothing can better the work that it is doing.

Yours for the H. B. A.
A. L. Lewis, Secretary.
Tom Foster, President.

The Following Lodge Reported The Following Amount Dues And Death Claims In The Board:-

Lodge	Amount
292	$9.65

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NEWTON

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to say that we are getting along nicely. We are trusting that the H. B. A. will not get sick and we are not thinking about it dying, but it seems like it is getting awful sick. I think it is time for every lodge and every member to make his and herself a committee to see to it that these sick and half dead people stay out of the Order that those who are in it and are complying with the laws of the constitution will get the full value of what they have put in it. If the agents, presidents and members will be careful and honest and see to it that grandpas, grandmas and our good old uncles who were here when the stars fell are kept out of the Association it will be better on all concerned. We will not only grow and stay alive, but will go a little farther. We ought not to speculate on these old fathers and mothers lives. I am somewhat of the opinion that the dispensation was harmful to the Order for the presidents and agents know that they have been doing crooked work.

If you are young and sound come this way, but if you are old and gray, please don't come this way to get in the H. B. A; for we aren't old and we aren't gray, we are just a good order that came here to stay. We expect to stay sound in health for the purpose of the H. B. A. Pray for 292 that it may be stronger in the future.

What sounds are these that I hear
Hail the H. B. A. of the Mississippi state.
A mighty host will ever be gathering here
Hail the H. B. A. of Mississippi state.
We raise our voice in the highest
We will ever be true to the H. B. A.
work be true and be tried
and ever strive the right to lift high.
We are the H. B. A. of the Mississippi state.

E. L. HILL, President

HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: Please give me space to say that lodge No. 102 has lost one of its faithful members, in the person of John McIntosh. The members of lodge No. 102 will miss our dear Bro. He was faithful to all claims. He is earthly lost, but we feel that he is heaven's gain. His daughter Miss Eartha McIntosh was financial secretary of the lodge for many years. We extend to the bereaved family our deepest sympathy.

Mrs. E. A. B. Harper, President.

LAMBERT

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 45 is yet alive and on the main line, though times are a little hard, but we don't look at hard time side. We are trying to look on the brighter side of life. Listen presidents and members, the morning Light is Breaking that we have been longing for, so wake up presidents No. 45 is planning to make a round report in the March Board.

J. M. Martin, President.

BROOKHAVEN

Dear Editor: I am writing you to let you know we have lost one of our members in the person of sister Cora Hooker. She departed this life on February the 24th. It is our lost and we are trusting that it is heaven's gain. She left a husband, one son, two daughters, a mother four sisters and a host of grandchildren, relatives and friends to mourn her passing.

Mose Walker, President.

MAGEE

Dear Editor: Just a few words concerning lodge No. 52. We have lost one of our faithful members in the person of Bro. Elbert Littles. Bro. Littles died Feb. 9th. He leaves to mourn his lost a loving wife, six daughters, one son, a host of relatives and friends. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

Jackie Thompson, President

STATE LINE

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the paper to let the many readers know that we lost one of our members in the person of sister Cornie Walley. Sister Walley departed this life Feb. 8, 1931. She leaves to mourn her passing a husband, two sons, four daughters and a host of friends. Sister Walley was a member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church and was faithful member to her church and locol society. It is our lost, but we are praying it is heaven's gain.

C. L. Moore, Reporter.

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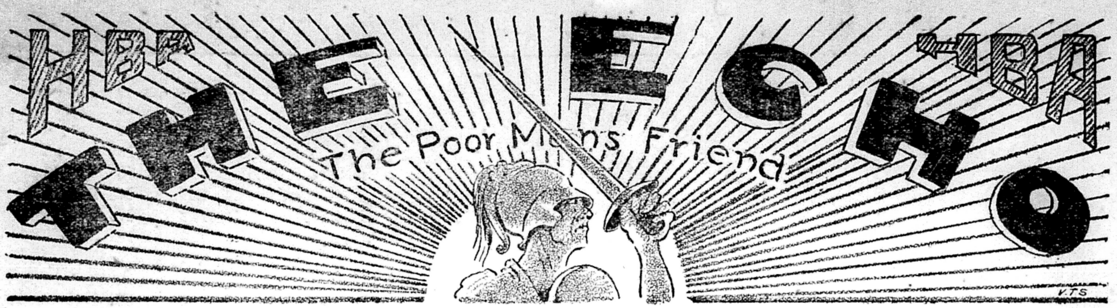

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IS THE WHITE MAN'S RELIGION THE RELIGION OF THE LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

I have very often asked myself the above question. I have been asked the same question by hundreds of persons. There is a reason for the above question. I must confess, that it is a question that I have studied, that I have prayed over, that I have meditated over and after all, I found myself sobbing for an answer. I don't want to say that the white man's religion is not the religion of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and I am afraid to say that it is. When I think of the goodness of the white man, the sympathy of the white man, the help that he is willing to lend to humanity and many other good things, and traits that might be mentioned with regards to the white man, I am inclined to believe that he does practice the religion of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. On the other hand, when I think of his many short comings, especially with regards to the Negro race, I am made to ask the above question. I can name hundreds of white-people who have helped me, and who are still helping me, who seem to have confidence in me, who seem to be willing to do whatever I ask them to do, but when I think of the fact that I am limited in my requests of him, I wonder if the religion that he practices is not a religion that is shaped and made by himself. The religion of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will cause one, if he possesses it, to do unto others as he would that they should do unto him.

It has been a long time since I have seen white men working the streets of Meridian as prisoners. Is it because all white people of Meridian are good and not violators? Practically every office that is filled by the city official I presume is filled by some white person who is a member of some church. I presume the police force is made up of church members and the other officials I presume are church members.

Now how can these church members, these religious people who have the law in their hand, stand supinely by and see Negroes intruded upon every day, saying nothing, and yet call themselves christians. I want to believe that there are white people who are christians, but it is hard for me to believe it when the things they do and allow to be done speak so loudly. How can the white christians collect hundreds of thousands of dollars from Negroes in taxes and not allow the Negro to vote as to who shall be an officer in the city or county. Is this religion? A few days ago a small Negro boy by the name of Nelius Nettles was drowned at a lake a short distance from Meridian. The paper reports that the boy was about fifteen or sixteen years of age. It is also reported that two of the city officers were present when this boy was mysteriously drowned. In reading the paper one would be so informed that the boy was frightened to the extent that he drowned himself, but there are numbers of white people, as well as colored, who do not believe that this boy drowned himself. What can we do about it? Nothing. Where is the white man's christianity? This poor Negro boy lost his life about a hat. This Negro had to give up all he had for nothing in the world but a hat, seemingly that belonged to a white man. It is useless to state in this article what the corner investigation amounted to.

Negroes' word against a white man's word, though it may have all the earmarks of truth, does not amount to anything. It is against the white man's religion to accept a statement as truth from a Negro in preference to a white man. It matters not how high the Negro may stand in the community, how much property he may own, how much taxes he pays to support the city or county, neither does it matter about his standing or reputation, his word amounts to nothing against a white man's word.

One is almost compelled to ask this question, hasn't the white man made a religion of his own, shaped it as he desired that it should be shaped and lives by his own man made religious pattern? This man made religion some day will fail. In reading of and seeing the many, many injustices heaped upon the Negro I sometime ask the question where is God? I some time wonder will my God allow us to be crushed, to be hanged, to be burned, to be mobbed, to be lynched, to be denied the privilege to vote etc. I shall always remember that passage of scripture which says "God is slow to anger and quick to mercy." How can my white friends tell me privately that I was not treated right in certain instances. How can they tell me that they sympathize with me privately and refuse to tell the courts and speak out through the news papers publicly with regards to the ill treatment heaped upon us? If a house is on fire and burning down, the alarm must be turned in, in order that the fighters might come to the rescue of the burning house. In order to better the conditions that exist with regards to the treatment of the Negro, our white friends who talk to us privately must be willing to turn in the alarm else we get no where. There is a great battle to be fought, there is a victory to be won by the Negro. We can not fight this battle with shot and shell, we must go on our knees to God. God will not always stand for these ill treatments. God is not dead. God will come to our rescue. Things are bound to change. This old world is going to reap what it sows. The white man may not reap what is being sown now, but if God's word is true, their children's children's children's children will come on the scene and reap what he is now sowing. Be not deceived, what-so-ever a man sowth that shall he also reap.

R. L. YOUNG

RICHTON

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me a space in the Echo to express my opinion concerning those suspicious claims Now, we all are aware that it is a violation to the law to take in members that are sick and too old for the order. Since that is true, it doesn't seem fair for the whole Association to suffer for the dirty work that some of the local presidents are doing. So I believe it would be right to suspend those lodges that have acted rascals. I believe if they are allowed to continue to cheat the Order as they are doing now, it will go adrift. So I believe those rascals ought to bear their own burden. I hope every lodge will see that it be done, because it is unfair for a few to do a wrong deed and the whole Association suffer for what those few have done. Let us all pray that these dirty hearted men will be converted.

Mrs. Stella Williams, President.

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The Following is a Report for the March Boards. We are giving the name of the President, Number of the Lodge, Number of Members Reported and the Amount of Money Reported:

President	Lodge No.	Mem.	Money
I. M. Martin	1	38	50.25
J. F. Chapel	2	54	74.45
R. W. Radcliff	3	35	48.85
E. D. Portis	4	35	48.85
B. W. Willis	5	15	20.85
Wesley Ward	8	6	8.25
D. B. Borders	9	43	60.05
A. T. Shadwick	11	50	68.45
J. L. Smith	18	18	25.05
Henry Edwards	19	23	32.05
W. N. Knott	20	33	46.05
F. Ott	21	61	85.25
J. C. Williams	22	35	48.85
J. M. Thompson	23	47	65.65
J. M. Russell	25	32	44.65
F. C. Cooley	27	33	46.05
M. V. B. Pitts	28	66	93.25
Annie Blanks	30	50	69.85
Vallie Thornton	31	22	30.65
B. Brown	32	24	33.45
Henry Davis	33	41	56.35
J. J. Overstreet	39	59	82.45
Hattie Smith	40	46	64.25
Vinia Clayton	42	28	39.65
W. M. Brown	44	15	20.85
J. M. Martin	45	32	44.65
J. C. Burton	47	37	51.65
V. T. Thompson	49	21	29.25
G. C. Cole	50	32	45.50
Jackie Thompson	52	29	40.45
Esau Sledge	53	8	11.05
B. J. Morrison	54	15	20.85
A. A. Alford	55	13	18.05
Mary H. Moore	56	14	19.95
W. C. McLeod	57	105	146.85
S. P. Jones	58	25	34.85
L. Hawkins	60	7	9.65
Henry Taylor	61	10	13.85
J. M. Holliway	62	6	8.25
Johnnie Cole	63	15	20.85
J. G. Gully	64	43	60.05
R. B. Scroggins	66	8	11.05
M. A. Trussell	67	29	40.45
I. English	69	66	92.25
Tom Smith	70	49	68.45
J. S. Anderson	71	31	43.25
D. H. Watson	72	45	62.85
A. Manuel	74	21	29.25
R. W. White	75	33	46.05
Ella Morrell	76	30	41.95
Bettie Faulkoner	77	23	32.05
S. M. Jackson	79	22	30.65
J. H. Drakeford	80	73	102.05
Thos. Blakney	82	76	106.25
John Chaney	84	No Report	
W. L. McDade	85	58	81.05
Clem Brown	92	92	128.65
W. L. Gillespie	93	91	127.25
Clarence Ware	94	46	64.25
C. L. Pringle	95	33	46.05
F. L. Key	96	46	64.25
M. Page	98	9	12.45
W. M. Barnes	99	27	37.65
J. T. Tautt	100	No Report	
E. A. B. Harper	102	41	57.25
A. Evans	103	15	20.85
J. W. Hall	105	24	33.45
Mattie Nicholson	108	46	64.25
C. T. Tiggs	110	21	29.25
Thos. Jackson	111	3	4.05
J. C. Coleman	112	63	88.05
C. A. Neely	114	41	57.25
C. S. Hampton	113	110	153.85
A. L. Smith	115	15	23.65
Mathew Rowe	116	67	93.65
W. J. Rankin	118	30	42.00
J. M. Moore	119	79	110.45
Mabel Kendrick	121	10	12.45
A. L. Brown	122	36	50.25
Annie Slay	123	52	72.65
R. C. Cole	125	43	60.05
M. Pope	127	65	90.85
Burie Statin	130	33	46.05
S. Knight	131	27	37.65
G. W. Knight	132	21	29.25
W. J. Rankin	133	39	54.45
R. B. Wooten	135	26	36.25
I. P. Triplett	136	10	13.85
R. H. Gibson	138	2	2.80
Jack Davis	139	38	53.05
A. R. Price	141	25	34.85
H. R. Evans	145	52	72.65
Geo. Quincy	146	36	50.25
Dixie Russell	147	18	25.05
C. H. Moody	148	16	22.25
J. H. McLaughlin	151	19	26.45
W. R. Smith	152	24	33.45
C. J. Pickett	153	42	58.65
W. L. Wilson	157	37	50.10
Tommie Davis	158	No Report	
Jerry Lang	159	18	23.65
W. J. Tate	160	23	32.05
Ames Johnson	161	25	34.85
Brantley Calmeas	162	Rep't in bad shape	
Tom Crawford	163	9	12.45
H. J. Green	165	27	37.65
Minnie Dozier	166	10	13.85
C. S. Williams	167	13	18.05
T. J. Dear	173	22	30.65
Jas. Fairley	174	7	9.65
Derias Croft	176	25	34.85
E. M. Dunn	178	15	20.85
Clarence Toliver	179	10	13.85
C. H. Hall	180	9	12.45
J. T. Jones	181	25	34.85
Walter Tate	185	52	72.65
Rachel Craft	189	34	47.45
D. L. Harris	190	99	138.45
Henry Thompson	192	9	12.45
R. C. Chapman	193	31	43.25
C. W. McLaughlin	194	58	81.05
R. McCormick	195	48	67.05
A. Evans	196	43	60.05
J. M. Hall	198	28	39.05
Earl McNeal	199	19	26.45
W. M. Peay	200	27	37.65
Will Bradford	201	20	27.85
Henry Spell	202	20	27.85
Charlie Hearn	203	13	18.05
Ben Phillips	204	7	9.65
Ben Green	205	24	33.45
J. J. Pierce	207	9	12.45
Prince Hayes	209	No Report	
L. M. Hearn	210	8	11.05
E. W. Washington	212	35	48.85
Ed. McLemore	213	87	121.65
J. L. Story	214	11	15.25
J. C. Jordan	215	16	22.25
E. G. Gordan	217	26	36.25
H. S. Jones	218	17	23.65
Nollie Alford	219	9	12.45
Azerline Andrews	220	No Report	
Henry Croom	221	17	23.65
J. W. Poke	222	15	26.45
M. J. Phillips	224	44	61.45
Budford Hathorn	226	3	4.20
Will Ponder	228	19	26.45
Robert Loften	230	33	46.05
Joe Knox	231	No Report	
Edward Bose	232	No Report	
Charlie Roberts	233	14	19.45
N. M. Cameron	234	5	6.85
Jas. White	235	16	20.85
M. S. Knott	236	35	48.85
G. C. Wells	237	No Report	
A. G. Kennedy	239	42	58.65
Lizzie Wiley	240	43	60.05
A. L. Williams	242	22	30.65
W. T. Smith	245	13	18.05
Stella Williams	246	2	2.65
J. R. Jordan	247	14	19.45
C. C. Williams	248	No Report	
E. Heidelburg	249	32	44.65
J. V. Jordan	251	17	23.65
O. S. McGee	252	10	13.85
E. F. Young Jr.	253	72	100.65
C. M. Myers	256	7	9.65
Robert Cooley	257	12	16.65
David Gelston	258	7	9.65
Sam Croft	259	10	13.85
O. C. Thigpen	260	40	55.85
Asa Walker	261	94	131.45
Allen Bridges	262	6	8.25
B. J. Tatum	263	55	75.45
Lucy Johnson	264	10	13.85
D. B. Breland	266	13	18.05
G. D. Cotton	267	16	22.25
Virgie Williams	268	2	2.65
Jessie Allen	269	6	8.25
A. J. Barnett	270	45	62.85
W. H. Crosby	272	2	2.65
John Blevins	275	3	4.05
J. H. Welch	275	No Report	
W. K. Kent	276	9	12.45
J. J. Pickett	277	53	74.05
G. W. Sterling	278	22	30.65
S. H. Husband	279	3	4.05
W. C. McDuffie	281	18	25.05
H. A. Morgan	285	26	36.25
Eva Sumrall	286	26	36.25
James McDonald	287	No Report	
C. M. Mayfield	288	42	58.65
T. J. Thompson	289	45	66.85
L. Bonner	290	32	44.65
E. L. Hill	292	7	9.65
Lena Johnson	293	21	29.25
B. H. Seals	294	18	25.05
I. B. Anderson	296	14	19.45
C. H. Longmire	297	14	19.45
Ames Johnson	298	31	43.40
W. M. Neal	299	10	13.85
W. B. Kendrick	300	No Report	
James Walley	301	50	69.85
W. E. Chapman	302	15	20.85
Johnie Adams	303	13	18.05
Ulden Barnes	304	38	53.05
D. J. Harlan	305	23	32.05
D. M. Marshall	306	84	117.45
T. J. Newkirk	307	24	33.45
M. E. Curry	308	84	20.85
Clarence Deese	311	25	34.85
J. L. Weathersby	312	No Report	
W. M. King	313	14	19.45
James Walton	316	13	18.05
Isaac Moore	317	75	104.85
Frank William	322	7	9.65
Oscar Raney	323	4	5.45
Silas Walker	324	38	53.05
James Rodgers	326	43	60.05
R. D. Allen	329	7	9.65
Rosa Scarbough	330	16	22.25
Willie Porter	331	27	37.65
H. T. Houston	334	44	61.45
Jerry Jack	336	12	16.65
A. C. Drummond	337	36	50.25
J. W. Gray	339	39	54.45
A. L. Longmire	340	No Report	
Fannie Bennett	341	No Report	
A. G. Garner	342	14	19.45
Sam Buckley	343	40	55.85
J. H. Boney	344	14	19.45

David Leverett	345	20	27.85
C. M. Weathersby	347	25	34.85
Adam Pruett	348	34	47.45
Olivia Long	349	9	12.45
H. R. Watts	352	4	5.45
W. S. Price	353	40	55.85
G. E. Grace	254	34	47.45
N. A. Madison	333	7	9.65
Edward Burley	355	35	48.85
Major McCall	358	21	29.25
John Calahan	359	6	8.25
Ben Brown	360	5	6.85
W. L. Harrison	361	4	5.60
Moses Walker	362	27	37.65
Jeff Anderson	364	38	53.05
S. L. Walker	368	72	100.65
H. E. Terrel	369	16	22.25
Aaron Trotter	373	No Report	
H. D. Hartifield	375	14	19.45
J. L. Dent	376	4	5.45
Pete Bang	377	3	4.05
Willie Pickett	378	3	4.05
Alex Paylor	380	12	15.25
W. G. Davis	381	30	41.85
W. E. Fairley	382	8	11.05
W. M. Peay	383	28	39.05
Cornelia Spann	384	18	25.05
H. P. Clarks	386	No Report	
Shelby Humble	387	No Report	
J. P. Jackson	388	12	16.65
Russell Peterson	389	45	62.85
John Benson	390	22	30.65
M. A. Lindsay	392	21	29.25
Robert Gaines	393	8	11.05
Eddie Robinson	394	85	118.85
A. Smith	395	13	18.05
Jack Baggett	396	15	20.85
J. F. Lidsay	397	No Report	
Octavia Whitika	398	3	4.05
Jim Goodwin	399	27	37.80
Claud Gavins	400	67	93.65
Mack Dawkins	402	9	12.45
I. C. Bradley	403	No Report	
M. Thomas	408	27	37.65
King Haynes	409	13	18.05
Sam Jasper	410	11	15.25
Bob Tatum	411	19	26.45
Johnnie Brewer	413	13	18.05
W. M. Easterling	416	38	53.05
Walter Taylor	418	9	12.45
Handy Barnett	420	27	37.65
R. V. Pope	422	86	120.25
J. J. Pickett	424	8	11.05
C. I. Chatman	425	Rep't in bad shape	
T. S. Sutton	426	40	55.85
E. L. Crosby	428	14	19.45
A. D. Sandif	429	6	8.25
Jim Collins	430	69	95.05
Jim Goodwin	431	19	26.60
Amos McCullum	432	13	18.05
R. D. Moore	434	15	20.85
Tom Foster	435	No Report	
J. J. Johnson	437	80	11.05
Jim Goodwin	438	19	26.45
Barbara Bradford	439	5	6.85
G. W. Fisher	433	4	5.40
Ezell Daugherty	440	5	6.85
V. R. Chambers	441	84	117.45
Lillie C. Young	442	14	19.45
A. J. Richey	443	10	13.85
Lewis Jenkins	444	16	22.25
Jess Brewer	445	8	11.05
A. M. Pickett	446	14	19.45
E. W. Williams	447	No Report	
William M. Jones	448	7	9.65
Arlee Steward	449	10	13.85

Total membership as we go to press 7,966.

Total amount of money raised $11,152.40.

If any president has his or her receipt showing that the report was made before March 24th please notify the office. According to our records the above reports are correct.

Secretary.

MACON

Dear Editor: This comes to inform the readers that I do not favor a cut in our policies at all. Rather cut off all dead limbs. We didn't have any one to break this order down until we got so many unfair presidents. I think the preachers ought to be the last men on earth to try to do wrong and stick to it. You have my help in any way in any-thing that is just and right. Stick to the law, keep yourself cool all the good folks are with you let the bad folks go their way. God help such.

Ames Johnson, President No. 161
Macon, Mississippi

WIGGINS

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that Chiney Berry Lodge No. 105 is yet alive and still doing H. B. A. work. Since the dispensation has been on we have added a number of members to our lodge. Since financial matters have been a bit hard we have lost some of our members, but we hope to gain them back. We installed officers for 1931-1932 and we are well pleased with our election. We had one of our agents with us in the person of Bro. J. E. Durr, he made some wonderful remarks concerning the H. B. A. and its work. We can not forget him for he spoke the truth which shines for itself. After tne business session was over we served many good things to eat, and I believe our agent enjoyed it. We also donated him $3 00. Pray that we may continue to do big things

J. W. Hall, President.

NEW HEBRON

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the paper to let the readers know lodge No. 343 is doing nicely. I am sending in for three more certificates, they are young and sound. It is up to us members and presidents to see that our mothers, grand mothers, fathers and grand fathers are not put on the association. For these things to be done it hurts all of us, for we have some old members who have been in this order for years and there will come a time that these old people will not have enough money to pay their Death Claims, and it will be just because we have put so many dead people in the order.

Sam Buckley, President.

SANDERSVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 166 is getting along nicely. Our lodge is small, but we do real H. B. A. work. The H. B. A. Board held at Laurel, Miss., has inspired us to do more. I have been talking about the Board every since it met, it has been an inspiration to our lodge. Pray that success will be ours.

Ira Thigpen, Reporter.

SHUBUTA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 127 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of sister Hanner Glover. Sister Glover departed this life Mar. 5th, she has been a member of our lodge for a number of years, and was one of our best loved members in our lodge. She leaves a host of friends to mourn her lost.

M. Pope, President.

PERKINSTON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 377 is doing real H. B. A. work. The good Lord has blessed us. We are three years old we haven't had any sickness nor deaths since we have been organized. We ask the prayers of the association that the Lord may send more in the vineyard.

Pete Bang, President.

DESOTA

Dear Secretary:- I want the readers of the Echo to know that lodge No. 151 is getting along nicely. We gained one member in the March Board which was held in Shubuta on the 10 th. Pray that we might continue to add members to our lodge. Yours for the H. B. A.

J. H. McLaughlin, President.

NOTICE

This comes to notify all presidents and members that I am continuing the dispensation for a short while. I can not say just how long it will continue.
I may notify you at any time through the Echo, that the dispensation is out. Every-body may work on until you hear from me.

E. F. Young, General President.

NOTICE TO GENERAL PUBLIC

This is to certify that Esau Sledge of Macon, Miss., is not an agent for the H. B. A. any longer. All persons interested in the H. B. A. will govern themselves according.

E. F. Young, General President.

NOTICE

If you fail to get your Echo, please notify the office and we will kindly send the ones that you failed to receive.

R. L. Y.

MACON, MISSISSIPPI

March 25, 1931

Rev. R. L. Young,

Dear Sir and Brother:-

I received your letter in regards to my mother's Death Claims stating that if I am ready you will mail me a check for what she has put in. I feel that I have been mistreated, and if you think that is right, when your agent put her in, and nothing was said in regards to her age until her death, you send it on and my lodges and I will pull off, because if you treat me that way we are afraid that you will do the rest the same way; and I think that the claim ought to be paid. I did all I could to put all of the lodges in my churches, now you suit yourself.

Yours truly,

Rev. Jim Goodwin.

EDITOR'S NOTE

The above letter comes from Rev. Jim Goodwin who feels that we ought to pay his mother off, because the agent put her in. I wonder who kept her up. The agent and Rev. Goodwin knew about the age of the deceased we didn't know it. If we had known the facts in the case, we would have turned it down long ago.

Well, if Rev. Goodwin and his lodges will pull out because we refused to pay this claim, they will have to go. In the long run right will win. I have mailed to Rev. Goodwin a check to the amount of $11.25 for joining fee, policy fee, Convention assessment, Dues and Death Claims paid in this association for his mother.

HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: This comes to you to print through the columns of the Echo. My version on the member that was near 89 years old. You asked the association as to whether you should abide by the law. I say yes, yes, yes. If you don't, we don't need you, because we elected you for that purpose, and we have that confidence to believe that you will. Why bend the law to one individual who has made a mistake and trys to persuade you to do likewise? I repeat my statement by saying **STAND** SQUARE ON **THE** LAW. Lodge No. 270 says pay off all just and legal claims.

Yours for the Order,

A. J. Barnett, President.

COHAY

Dear Rev. Young: You will please find enclosed money order and report blank for Quarterly tax for lodge No. 189. We are very sorry that we are late with our tax, yet it could not be helped. Death visited our lodge twice this week. First claiming our president, Mrs. Lanie Carmichael on Mar. 16th, next claiming sister Spencer on Mar. 19th. Please send me two death certificates for both.

Our Dues and Death Claims were all paid when death called our president all of a sudden and of course, we could not get the money at once. We are sending it to-day.

Mrs. Rachel Craft, Vice President.

DEERBROOK

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 317 has lost one of its used to be members. Mr. Jim Tate joined my lodge 1929 he has paid every assessment up until March 2, 1931. He decided he would take a risk on the March assessment. He took his bed the 3rd of March and died the 9th of March unfinancial with the association. This person said he wasn't able to pay this assessment, so he decided that he would take a chance on Mar. assessment, but the good Lord had his days numbered. Prepared or unprepared we must go. Bro. Tate leaves a wife, nine children, seventeen grand children, and a host of friends to mourn his passing. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

I. M. Moore, President.
Willie Turner, Reporter.

PELAHATCHEE

Dear Editor: We are still on the job, still getting some good and prosperous members. The president and members of lodge No. 416 wish to congratulate every lodge in the association for the splendid success in the dispensation. Lodge No. 416 is going to try to make a round report at the Board, which will meet at Columbia March 19th. We have had much sickness in our lodge. We paid $19.40 Dr. and Medicine bills in our last meeting. We have quite a few boosters in our lodge and they expect to meet the Board. They are Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Handy, Mr. A. J. Estes and Mrs. W. C. Cochrel. Pray that we might continue to move upward.

W. M. Easterling, President.
W. C. Cochrel, Reporter.

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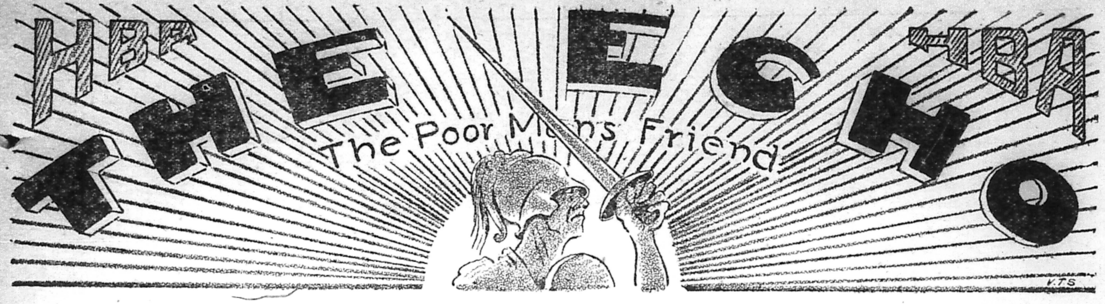

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SHUBUTA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echó to let the many members and friends of the H. B. A. know just where we, the members of lodge No. 230, stand in regards to the high way robbery and dirty acts committed by many of our local presidents and members. Having read of the illegal member gotten into the H B. A., and having given it a prayful study; we hope that the H. B. A. should do its utmost to pay the dead parasites, claims. We also think that the weak-hearted and too old members who are living should be notified that they were unlawfully taken into the lodge. Hence they should and must discontinue their membership therein. That is, if it is proven that they had the above named ailments before joining the lodge. The H. B. A. is he "poor man's friend", but not an Association on which parasites should live and die.

We the members of lodge No. 230, think that the Death Claims should not be cut in behalf of unlawful joined members. Such members should be asked to discontinue their membership and the one who admitted them into the association should be fined and suspended for three, six or nine months and upon their re-admittance to the association they will hereafter very likely, use horse sense if not common sense. Let it be further resolved that we, true H. B. A. members, cut off the parasites and let the H. B. A. go on. We are moving on very nicely down here with our lodge. Our membership does not increase nor does it decrease. In these hard times if an Association of any type holds its own, it will have advanced very much. Our lodge has been organized now for better than six years and we haven't as yet had a single death. We do not take into our lodge he who is too old. H. B A.s let us see to it that the rules and regulations of our Association are carried out to the letter.

Yours for growth of the H. B. A.

Robert Lofton, President.

PELAHATCHEE

[illegible] The Echo:

We the members of lodge No. 416 re very proud of our progressive lodge, which is still growing at a rapid speed. We have received several applications and have some on file.

We have with us our president, R. L. Lucious to build a bigger and better lodge. He has been absent for several months and Mr. Lucious hopes by the aid of his good members to increase the membership. So let us all co-operate together and build a lodge of quality and standard Lodge No. 416 wishes to have the June Board to meet in Pelahatchee, as it will be an uplift to our community. So we hope the staff of leaders of the H. B. A. will assist us in getting the Board.

On the third Monday night we will have with us our state organizer, Professor J. E. Durr of Meridian. We want every member to be out that night so you can see and hear him as he is a great instructor. So every member is expected to be present. Those who met the Board in Columbia on the 19th of March greatly enjoyed their trip, and were much pleased in the way the Association is handled by the president Rev. E. F. Young and Secretary R. L. Young. Those who met the Board were R L. Lucious; Mrs. Gertha Handy, Secretary; C. Cochrel, Reporter; H. J. Handy and Mrs. Mary Waters.

We are still on the job getting good and prosperous members so we hope the good will of all.

R. L. Lucious, President.
W. C. Cochrel, Reporter.

WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the paper to speak to my beloved presidents to tell them that we ought to understand each other. We have so many presidents who knock each other. We should not do that. We should stand together. If our members find out that we, as local presidents, are together, why they will be more loving to one another. Be like me I am not looking at the benefit that is coming after I am dead, but I am looking at this Association as a getting together to make us love our brothers and sisters and not dig pits for one another for reading my Holy Bible I found the only way I can serve God is through my Brothers and Sisters. So it makes no difference how you can pray or how you can preach if you don't love me and treat me right you can say that is one prayer that is lost in high grass and and one sermon that is yet in the pulpit. It hurts my soul to see preachers go against one another. I don't believe that we should do that for when God sent out His twelve deciples I don't see where they dug ditches for one another. You take old Judius that was a devil from the beginning. He stood by his brothers so I want to ask the entire Association lets go in a secret prayer for our preachers and leaders for the world is perishing for true leadership. I know we got some true leaders ahead of the H. B. A. that I believe will take us to success. For I have been knowing these men for some-time and I can't find one hole in their leadership, but I will say out of my heart if we take them down please show me some-one that you think will be as helpful as they have. So in my last appeal I will say God knows I am a Baptist from my cradle up to this day and in other words not only a Baptist, but a christian and that lets you know I was lead in the water by a Baptist preacher and while I live in the H. B. A. please let the Methodists lead me on for they know their stuff about leading on dry ground. So come on boys lets go with them. They can't lead in the water, but I will declare to you they can lead on dry land.

Yours in Christ,

D. L. Harris.

LAUREL

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 426 has lost one of its members in the person of Mrs. Mary Simmons who died Feb. 17th, 1931. She leaves to mourn her passing one aunt and a host of H. B. A. brethern and sisters. She was a loyal member to her lodge and was loved by all who knew her. We trust that our lost is heaven's gain.

Miss Lillie M. Bartee, Reporter.

T. S. Sutton, President.

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EDITORIAL

HERE AND YONDER—THIS AND THAT

The above heading is very befiting with regards to the great work that the H. B. A. is doing. We do not hesitate to let all readers know that the H. B. A. is not a loosing organization, because we collected from more members in the last Boards than we have ever collected from in the history of the Organization. We raised more money than ever before. Already, more than eight thousand members have paid up, with a total of more than $11,500.00. There are no hard times among H. B. A.s. The harder times seem, the more money we collect. The harder the times seem the more folks join the H. B. A. What is the matter with the H. B. A.? Nothing at all, nothing at all, the H. B. A. beats them all. Who said so? Everybody! Who is everybody? The H. B. A.s. Three rahs for the H. B. A. Rah! Rah! Rah!

KNOCKERS

It has been the motto of the H. B. A. not to knock other Organizations. Knockers do not win and winners do not knock. There can be found at times agents or representatives of different Organizations who will attempt to build the Organization to which they belong, by knocking other Organizations, but as a rule, you do not find the main or General Officers trying to knock another society, because it is well known by real leaders, that we can not build by trying to tear down.

I have been very much amused for the last thirty days with regards to reports that have been made to us. It is reported that one of my friends, the Rev. W. J. Evans, a good Baptist minister of this city, and one whom I have considered a friend of mine, is an agent for the C. B. A. He has been all around Waynesboro, Mississippi, Macon and other points according to reports, organizing C. B. A. lodges and he makes it his business to try to knock the H. B. A. I am sure these reports on my friend, Rev. Evans, must have a lot of truth in them, because several of the Baptist deacons and ministers, as well as members, have called our attention to this fact. I am surprised to know that my friend Evans, with his experience as a minister, has no better judgement and common sense than he seems to be displaying as he

If he wants to organize C. B. A. lodges let him do that on the merits of that organization and not try to tear up the H. B. A. lodges in these sections. I hope somebody will inform Rev. Evans as to the number of members reported in the H. B. A. in the March Quarter and the amount of money collected.

C. B. A. DOING GOOD

The C. B. A. headed by my friend, Prof. E. L. Williams as General President, Mr. Geo. Sims as Secretary, Mr. M. A. Durr, General Treasurer, is doing good work. We admire these leaders for what they are doing in a constructive way in this organization. There is much good to be done and the C. B. A. can, if properly managed (and we believe it is being properly managed) do much good in shaping the destiny of our race. I fear, one reason that the C. B. A. is not growing any faster is because such men as Brother Evans, who are trying to do good for the order are really doing harm. One of the officers of the C. B. A. told me a few days ago that they collected $900.00 in their March Board and they had twelve deaths and are suppose to pay $100.00 at the death of each member. He also informed me that there were other lodges yet to report, which will no doubt bring the amount up to $1200.00 or more. This would enable them to pay a hundred dollars for each death. This officer told me that the amount was $1.20 per member. This $1.20 per member and collecting $900.00 means that, the C. B. A. reported seven hundred and fifty members in the last Board. I wonder if Brother Evans remembers, that when some of our friends pulled out and quit the H. B. A. in 1924 and organized the C. B. A. that they started out with more than thirteen hundred members and left the H. B. A. with twenty-six hundred members. The H. B. A. in these six years has had a growth of about six thousand members, an average of one thousand members per year. According to the last C. B. A. report, the C. B. A.s have had a lost of about six hundred members, an average lost of one hundred members per year. If those in authority in the C. B. A. do not instruct their agents and representatives to try to build their organization without knocking the H. B. A., in six more years they will have but one hundred and fifty members, if they keep the gate that they have had for the past six years.

WEEKLY NEWS PAPER

One of the greatest assets to the H. B. A. has been the Echo. It is a medium through which the H. B. A. speaks. The local presidents, and members as well as the General Officers, have access through the columns of the Echo. All of the readers are glad to receive it to find out what is going on. It is our desire, in the near future, to publish a weekly paper for the benefit of our towns, communities and the H. B. A.

GIVES JOBS

A weekly paper published in Meridian means the opening of jobs for some of our boys and girls. We would be compelled to have two or three young men and women with regular jobs if we had

for. I am really amazed at times when I hear of some little two-by-four narrow minded leader trying to knock a concern that is delivering the goods. These little fellows amount to about as much as a gnat would on a bull's horn.

LOCAL PRESIDENTS

The local presidents, who are the guiding stars in their various communities, should be praised and congratulated for the splendid work that they are doing in helping to shape and mold seniment for a bigger and better concern. Everyone of our presidents has a job, and all of them feel proud of their jobs. We only need to give more folks jobs. Sometime men have jobs that don't pay big salaries, and these men decide that they are going to make their jobs pay. That is the way it is with our local presidents. There was a time when the local presidents had no consideration whatever. All we ask our presidents to do now is to stand by us and we are going to prove to the world that the office of the local president will be one that will be envied by hundreds of men and women. It is no little thing to be a local president in the H. B. A. It is an honor, it is a big thing. Who would not like to be a local president? If I were not a General Officer, I would be glad to be a local president. I would be glad to know that I was one who had a part in shaping and making this great Organization. It matters not what Organization exists in your community, there is nothing that excells the H. B. A. The H. B. A. is the "Poor Man's Friend" and if we, as a race, are not poor, I would like to know who is. The Negro race is poor in pocket, poor in leadership, poor in organization, poor in protection and poor in spirit.

Give us one more thousand members by June.

H. B. A. QUARTERLY BOARDS MEET

The Quarterly Boards for June will meet as follows:-

Rev. L. Jenkin, Collins, Miss., Monday, June 1st.

Shuqualak, Miss, W. L. Gillespie, President, Tuesday, June 2nd.

R. C. McCormick, Heidelberg, Miss., Wednesday, June 3rd.

J. M. Russell, Marion, Miss., Thursday, June 4th.

R. A. Lucious, Pelehatchee, Miss., Friday June 5th.

G. W. Sterling, Monday, June 8th, Langsdale, Miss.

W. M. Peay, New Augusta, Miss., June 10th.

MERIDIAN

Dear Editor:

Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 139 has lost a member, in the person of sister Cindy Moore. She departed this life March the 3rd in good standing with her local and general assessement. She leaves a daughter, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her pass-

Rev. R. L. Young, Dear Editor:

I am writing a few words in regard to my visits to some of the local lodges. A few days ago I visited lodge No. 52 with Mr. Jackie Thompson as local president. I lectured and gave them some instruction with regards to the Constitution. I also audited their records and found them to be in first class shape. I also found that lodge with an H. B. A. charter. I left the members of lodge No. 52 inspired to do a greater work.

I visited lodge No. 152 with Mr. W. R. Smith as local president. I lectured and made a general inspection. I found this lodge with a charter and an H. B. A. record. All of the members were in good and regular standing with the lodge. I left everybody well pleased and with a new determination. I have quite a few more lodges in this district to visit before leaving here.

Fraternally yours,

J. E. Durr, State Agent.

NEW AUGUSTA

Dear Editor:

This is to let the many readers know that lodge No. 200 is doing fine in its meetings. On our last meeting we made three members and we have two more on file. We are careful as to whom we take in our lodge.

I would suggest that we get rid of all of those old limbs when we discover that they are injurying the tree. Don't let them tarry at all.

We are kindly asking the general body to please accept our application for the June Board. We believe that the Board would be helpful to our lodge. We are looking to that end.

W. M. Peay, President,

(Mrs.) Hattie Peay, Secretary

THE MARCH BOARD TRIUMPHS

The March Board 1931 of The Holbrook Benevolent Association of the State of Mississippi is history. It goes on record as being the most outstanding achievement of the Association since its survival of the temptest of 1924. Its financial success exceeded the expectations even of the most optimistic; a marvel of cooperative enthusiasm, and manifested confidence, seldom seen among our people. This is the outcome of years of satisfactory service rendered by the Association to its thousands of members, based upon the fact; that fair dealing is essential to success in rendering service to the public, linked with leadership of rare ability.

This Board was decisive; in that: It determined the vital question; "Shall the Association continue to pay $220.00 to its beneficiaries?" This question no longer rests in the minds of our people. It has been proven without a reasonable doubt, that the Association can hold it's own in the face of all adversity by its ability to collect $11,500.00 during the last Board in spite of the business depression we are now witnessing.

Oh H. B. A.! thou art peerless no other Association excells thee excluding the Church of God.

LOOK! LOOK! TWELVE H.B.A. PRIZES GIVEN AWAY BY THE GENERAL PRESIDENT AND GENERAL SECRETARY

To the twelve local presidents reporting the highest number of new members, added to their lodges by May 28th. All reports must be in the office on or before May 28th. Any report that comes in the office after May 28th will not be counted in the prize winning. The presidents sending in the twelve highest number of members will receive the following: $3.00, 2.75, 2.50, 2.25, 2.00, 1.75, 1.50 1.25, 1.00, 75c, 50c and 25c. The prizes beggin at $3.00 for the one sending in the highest number, and comes down the line until they have received the twelve prizes.

We are going to publish the name of every president who enters into this drive, as well as publish the name of every president who fails to enter into the drive. If we have one president in the association who can not make one or two members by May 28th we feel funny with regards to such a man or woman. We know that every-body can at least add one member, some will add ten or fifteen members, no doubt we have a splendid chance to add 1000 members by the June Board. The General President says he believes his loyal presidents will do it. The General Secretary says he believes and know we have loyal presidents, but he does not believe that the presidents are going to make a report of (9000) nine thousand H. B. A.s in the June Board. "One for the money, two for the show, all make ready now lets go"

IN THE RACE

To the Holbrook Benevolent Association, General officers, Agents, Presidents and members, as this year is general election for all officers, I wish to announce to you that I am a candidate for General Vice President of the Holbrook Benevolent association.

I feel that I can serve the association in that capacity honorably. I've been a member of the H. B. A. about five years, serving as agent adding several lodges to the association and served as a local president of two lodges almost the entire time.

I do not feel that I am qualified because I was a student of Tougaloo College for six years, nor because I am a graduate of Alcorn A. & M. College, nor because I have served as Principal of some of the best schools of my county. But I feel that I am qualified because I have acquainted myself with the principles of the H. B. A. And because my practical experience as organizer of societies, as a local president and as an humble executive of other organizations make me fully competent to serve the Association as general Vice President.

I wish to inform the Association that I have no new platform to offer other than that which we are following by our present General Officers. Because I am, and always have been an earnest supporter of the policies of our present General Officers.

I honestly do not feel that we can better our-selves for General Officers than those who have served us so long. We are bound to admit that the Rev. E. F. and Rev. R. L. Young have guided the old H. B. A. ship so safely until she now ranks among the most outstanding Fraternal organizations of the country.

Now agents and Presidents, I am calling upon you for your consideration and your vote. If I am elected, I will assure you that I will put all there is in me for the good of the Association as General Vice President.

I am yours fraternally,

J. J. Pickett.

BOARD COLLECTION

Each local president has been requested to collect $1.40 from each of his or her members and report same in the June Board.

The General President and General Secretary will be at New Hope lodge No. 4 at Toomsuba, Miss. On the 4th Sunday after-noon at 3:00 o'clock in this month. The service is being held in honor of Brother J. J. Johnson and wife. All members and friends are urged to be present and bring a piece of money or a chicken, eggs, meat or anything that you might have to help these old warriors. They are among the founders of this Organization. Don't fail to be present. President Ed Portis is doing all that he can to make the event a success.

NOTICE TO AGENTS AND LOCAL PRESIDENTS

All local lodges that fail to have H. B. A. secretary books from the office and charters, please send the names to the office. Each lodge will be fined $1.00.

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Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Roy L. Young, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the editor, publisher, business manager and owner of The Echo, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership and management of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 411, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to-wit:

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ROY L. YOUNG.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of April, 1931.

R. C. CLAY,
(Seal) Notary Public.
My commission expires Jan. 1, 1932

QUITMAN

Dear Editor: Please give me space in your paper to let the many readers know that lodge No. 203 is getting along fine. All of the members are working in peace, love and harmony with one another. In reading the Echo we found so many presidents reporting deaths, but I am proud that the good Lord has been good to us. We have not had a member to die since we have been organized, which has been about six years. I want to say here just a word or two in reply to your message concerning Rev. Goodwin and his dear mother. I feel that she was dear to him, but the way it is figured out I shall say it is an unjust claim and don't think the Association has any right to pay it. We are poor people and have enough to pay on the just claims. Please allow me to say here I think our people should learn not to run and get the doctor every time they get sick. Those of us who live in the country go in the woods get some black snake root and chew it and some fever grass and make teas and lots more herbs and make our own medicine. Wear good old fashion clothes and shoes, trust in the Lord and see won't you live longer. Please let me quote this little poem:

THE COST OF LIVING WAS NOT HIGH

When we were girls and boys.
We had a few nice things and scarcely had any toys.
We lived on what we had at home.
Sold what we had to spare.

In the spring and summer days our feet and legs had to go bare.
We wore plain clothes to church those days as well as Sunday school.
But if you wear plain clothes these days you will be called a fool.

We enjoyed ourselves as well as anyone does now,
But when you begin to follow styles You will always have a rough ride.
We saved our meat scraps to make our family soap.

But to get such things these days in town we will have to lope.
Of course, it is good to have these things that money will always buy,
But if you don't live mighty close, Your living will be high.

One thing we will have to learn, It is to make our living at home
And our land will flow with sweet milk and honey, from the honey comb.

C. W. Hearns, President.

LAUDERDALE

Dear Editor: I have been a silent reader for some time, but it seems that I can not keep silent any longer concerning our good old H. B. A. someone is saying cut the Death benefits. I do not agree with them. Why should those who are trying to do right suffer the same penalty as those who are not trying at all? Let those suffer who are committing crimes. Why worry concerning of the suspicious people? Just let the local lodges and the General Body pay back sums which the dead has paid in, then maybe that will settle it.

When your load is very heavy and your burden is hard to bear,
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DEATH CLAIMS MUST REMAIN
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Dear Editor: Reading the article of Bro. I. M. Martin we loyal members of the H. B. A. lodges will not agree to cut the death benefits to $200.00, because of the dishonesty of the presidents and agents putting all kind of old broken down and sick half dead folks in the society. I say it will be better for the dishonest presidents and agents to die than for them to stay in the order and kill it. I am glad to know that we have a General President and Secretary who are not sleeping on their job. They are wide awake at all times. Members don't get discouraged, because you have a few dishonest presidents at the head of some of the lodges. I still say don't cut the death benefit, but cut these dishonest people out. If our members would read the Echo they could see just what we presidents are doing. Let us have more subscribers for the Echo. Pray that we might get our people to look forward to a higher and better day.

J. H. Turner, Reporter.

SHUBUTA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 303 has lost one of its best members, in the person of sister Emma Woodards. Sister Woodards departed this life April 11th, she was 48 years old. She leaves three daughters, four sons, a host of relatives and friends to mourn her passing. Sister Woodards was loved by all who knew her. Not only the members of her race loved her, but the white race loved her as well. Her funeral was well attended by her pastor, Rev. L. B. Beverly of Laurel, Miss. We feel that our lost it heaven's gain.

Johnnie Adams, President.

J. E. Adams, Reporter.

TOOMSUBA

Dear Secretary: In regards to the claim of Rev. Goodwin's mother, I wish to state that there is nothing to it, if his mother was over age. Some of the people are putting the blame on the dispensation for the heavy death roll. Please allow me to state that there are quite a few old folks here, that have even sent in their application, and yet we have failed to take in a single one of them. So if the dispensation is the blame, we surely would have taken those who sent their money in, instead of sending it back to them. Some-times just a mind to do right is not enough, but we must have a will to do right. So may I say, it is we presidents and agents who are causing such a heavy death roll.

M. V. B. Pitts, President.

E. F. Young, General President

LAUREL

Dear Editor: There have been so many things said concerning the agents and local presidents taking in members that have passed the age limit. Some have said that the dispensation was too long. Now, I don't think that the dispensation has anything to do with us not keeping the law. I say as many others have said, when we find presidents and agents taking in people who are too old just cut them off and let the H. B. A. go on. Lodge No. 76 is trying to do real H. B. A. work. We have taken in nine new members. Pray that we might continue to add new members to our lodge.

Mrs. Ella Morrell, President.

HEIDELBURG

Dear Editor: I read a letter in the Echo from Rev. Jim Goodwin concerning the death of his mother. I also read your statement concerning the matter. I say comply with the law, and when you have done this all will go well. If you give away to Rev. Goodwin you will have to give away to some one else. We all make these laws and we must be governed by them.

R. McCormick, President.

POPLARVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 281 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of sister Eunice Weary. Sister Weary passed to the great beyond March 5-th. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

Mrs. A. B. McDuffie, Reporter.

MAGEE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that we were highly inspired to have one of the agents with us, in the person of Mr. J. E. Durr. Mr. Durr visited our lodge, and gave some wholesome advice concerning the H. B. A. Agent Durr searched our records, but I am pleased to say that he found us on the top. His visit to us and the manner in which he handled things shall never be forgotton. We donated a small sum of $6.00 to our agent, but we hope to do better next time.

W. R. Smith, President.

MOSELLE

Dear Editor: I am glad to say that on yesterday, which was the 12th, I was at the March Board. I heard some of the best subjects that I have ever heard from our president and Secretary. I am sure they had some hard cases to confront. I am a new member of lodge No. 449 and I feel that I have been a member for a long time.

Jim Steward, Reporter.

CARMICHAEL

Dear Editor: Please give me space to say that lodge No. 95 has lost a faithful member in the person of sister Emmer L. Taylor. She died Mar. the 9th in Laurel Miss. She was a faithful member of the M. E. Church. She was buried at Mt. Levy M. E. Church, Mathesville, Mississippi.

Sister Taylor was loved by all who knew her. She was a member of No. 95 for nine years. She leaves to mourn her passing one sister, three brothers and a host of relatives and friends. It is our lost, but we are hoping that it is heaven's gain.

Rev. C. L. Pringle, President.

IMPORTANT CHANGE IN QUARTERLY BOARD MEETINGS

The Quarterly Boards for June will meet as follows:

R. A. Lucious, Pelahatchee, Miss., Friday June 5th.

J. M. Russel, Marion, Miss. Saturday June 6th.

G. W. Sterling, Laugsdale, Miss. Monday June 8th.

W. L. Gillespie, Shuqualak, Miss., Tuesday June 9th.

Wm. Peay, New Augusta, Miss. Wednesday June 10th.

R. C. McCormick, Heidelberg, Miss. Thursday June 11th.

Rev. L. Jinkins, Collins, Miss. Friday June 12th.

The Boards at New Augusta and Pelahatchee, remain the same. All presidents are asked to keep this meeting in mind. Please remember that you cannot go according to report blanks, which are already out. You are to be governed by the report through the Echo. The Secretary will have to be in Augustia, Georgia on June 1st, being a member of the Joint Commission on co-operation of M. E. Church South and the C.M.E. Church.

E. F. Young, General Presiddnt.

COHAY

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to say that since the State Agent; J. E. Durr, has visited our lodge we seem to be moving along just fine. Mr. Durr lectured and gave some instructions and straightened out all errors. He also elected a new president and installed officers. We are encouraged and inspired to do more work for the H. B. A. than ever before. Agent Durr took a deal of pains in reading the constitution and explaining the laws to us and he had us to see the association as never before. We feel that his trip was worth while. We pledged to him that we would report him in the June Board fifty members. All the members of the lodge are well pleased with the newly elected president, and with the work done by Agent Durr.

Daisy Harais, Reporter.

HONOR TO EX-PRESIDENT

On last Sunday at 3:00 o'clock a special meeting was held at New Hope Baptist Church near Toomsuba, Miss. in honor of ex-president J. J. Johnson and his wife. Brother Johnson has been down with a stroke for more than a year. His wife is not in the best of health. These two persons being present when the H. B. A. was first organized, and it was very benefiting that a special service be held in honor of them. President Ed Portis had things well arranged. Quite a few H. B. A.s, together with numbers of C. B. A s were present to give honor to these two verterans. The following general officers were present: Revs E. F. and R. L. Young, Prof. A. T. Shadwick, General Vice President and Rev. M. S. Knott, Chaplain. Rev. Whitehead was present. Prof. Latham, president of C. B. A. was present. Revs. H. B. Leach and R. W. Radcliff. President Willis of number 5 and sister Johnson. Sister Ann Cameron and many others. Spendid remarks were made by several of the visitors. The Secretary came forward and raise a collection to the amount of $10.01. Said amount was turned over to president Portis, after which several cars, buggies and wagons went to the home of Brother Johnson and wife. The couple was delighted to see so many friends come in. Prayer was offered by Rev. Whitehead and a song by Rev. Leach. After which Brother Portis presented the gift of $10.01 Brother Johnson is not able to work at all, neither his wife. Two or three of the children are with the mother and father trying to make them as happy as possible. May God bless this couple.

Secretary.

In the last issue of the Echo there appeared an article by Prof. A T. Shadwick, General Vice President, under the captain "The March Boards Triumph" For some cause the printer failed to get a good impression on some copies and Prof. Shadwick's name did not appear. The article by Prof. Shadwick was very timely and interesting.

Secretary.

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DON'T FORGET

The following presidents have entered the race for prizes that are being offered: B. W. Willis No. 5, D. H. Watson, No. 72, Mrs. Annie Turner, No. 189, E. F. Young, Jr. No. 253, Rev. W. S. Price, No. 353, Rev. Jim Goodwin, No. 399, A. D. Sandfier, No. 429, Jim Collins, No. 430. Mr. Jim Collins, President of No. 430, is leading, followed closly by Rev. W. S. Price No. 353. Mr. J. W. Gray No. 339 takes third place. Lets go boys!

IMPORTANT

I am kindly asking all agents to report all presidents and lodges that do not have a charter and H. B. A. record books from the office. These books and charters are given free. Postage on charter is 38c, on secretary record books 8c. Any president or lodge that fails to have a record and charter must be fined by the office the amount of $1.00. If you have not got these books and charter. be sure to get your order in bfore an agent reports your lodge to the office.

E. F. Young, General President.

NOTICE

All presidents sending in back Death Claims for the March Boards will please fill out application blanks for every member sent in. Please do not fail.

Secretary.

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2 Margaret Sandford No. 4, Ed Portis, President. Kewanee,

3 Bertha Patton No. 298, Ames Johnson, Pres. Macon,

4 Malinda Lang No. 159, Jerry Lang Pres., Langsdale,

5 E. M. Jackson No. 66, R.B. Scroggins, Pres., Richton,

6 Margarette McDougle No. 193, R. C. Chapman, Pres., Waynesboro

7 Hattie Brown No. 213, Ed McLemore, Pres. Quitman,

8 R. W. Gross No. 388, J. P. Jackson, Pres. Lambert,

9 Mollie Deloach No. 324, Silas Walker, Pres. Macon,

10 Charley Gaines No. 27, Mrs. F. C. Cooley, Pres. Meridian,

11 Martha Kelly No. 28, M. V. B. Pitts, Pres. Toomsuba

12 Mary Rush No. 113, C. A. Neeley Pres. Dekalb,

13 Jim Bryant No. 100, J. T. Taurtt Pres. Lauderdale,

14 Elnora Willis No. 5, B. W. Willis Pres. Whynot,

15 Fred Wilson No. 135, R. B. Wooten, Pres. Bailey,

16 Frank Graham No. 416 R. A. Lucious, Pres. Pelahatchee,

17 Hennie Dickerson No. 303 Johnnie Adams, Pres. Shubuta,

18 Alice E. Buckley No. 258, David Geelston, President. Silver Creek,

19 E. Weary No. 281, Rev. W. C. McDuffie, Pres. Poplarville

20 Jennetta McLeod, No. 57, W. C. McLeod, Pres. Bassfield,

21 Margie Roberts No. 114, C. S. Hampton, Pres. Dekalb

22 Henry Hudson No. 152, W. R. Smith, Pres. Magee,

23 I. V. Brown No. 113, C. A. Neeley, Pres. Dekalb,

24 Annie Bell Hawkins, No. 130 Buril Statin, Pres. Hiwanee

25 Cornie Walley, No. 301 Jas. Walley, Pres. State Line,

26 Hattie Connar No. 430, Jim Collins, Pres. Laurel,

27 Mary Lue Tailor No. 185, WalterTate, Pres. Brooksville,

28 Jessie Cole No. 72, D. H. Watson, Pres. Meridian,

29 George Yates No. 95, C. L. Pringle, Pres. Carmichael,

30 Lula Baker No. 426, J. J. Pickett, Pres. Brookhaven,

31 Mary M. Simmons No. 425, T. S. Sutton, Pres. Laurel,

32 Martha Henderson No. 185, Walter Tate, Pres. Brooksville,

33 Elbert Little No. 52, Jackie Thompson, Pres. Magee,

34 A. Thompson No. 52, Jackie Thompson, Pres. Magee,

35 Lillie Ward No. 8, Wesley Ward, Pres. Bonita,

36 Lucinda Moore No. 139, Jack Davis, Pres. Meridian,

37 Hannah Glover No. 127, M. Pope, Pres. Shubuta,

38 Ada Crosby No. 76, Mrs. Ella Morrell, Pres. Laurel

39 Rebecca Thompson No. 57, W. C. McLeod, Pres. Bassfield,

40 Julia Hardy 11, A. T. Shadwick, Pres. Meridian,

DEKALB

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 113 had the General President with it on the 28th of February. He brought his loving wife. Oh, how we enjoyed them. You know everything is o. k. when we have our dady around. He is our daddy lion and gave some good remarks to all. I am quite young, but I was taught in the Catholic Institute to live for God and he will bring you out. Truth will stand and wrong will fall. I want to say to all H. B. A.s, the night is far spent, the day is at hand. Let us answer as H. B. A.s. Cast off the work of darkness and let us put on armour of light.

Mamiedal Neeley, Reporter.

NOTICE

If you fail to get your Echo, please notify the office and we will kindly send the ones that you failed to receive.

R. L. Y.

WHYNOT

Dear Secretary: Please allow me space in the paper to ask just this question. What is the matter with Rev. Goodwin? Rev. Goodwin is a preacher, well, I think he will soon reform, at least I am hoping he will. Lodge No. 5 is getting along fine.

We are trying to do our best to make our lodge one of the best in the association. Pray that Success will be ours.

B. W. Willis, President.

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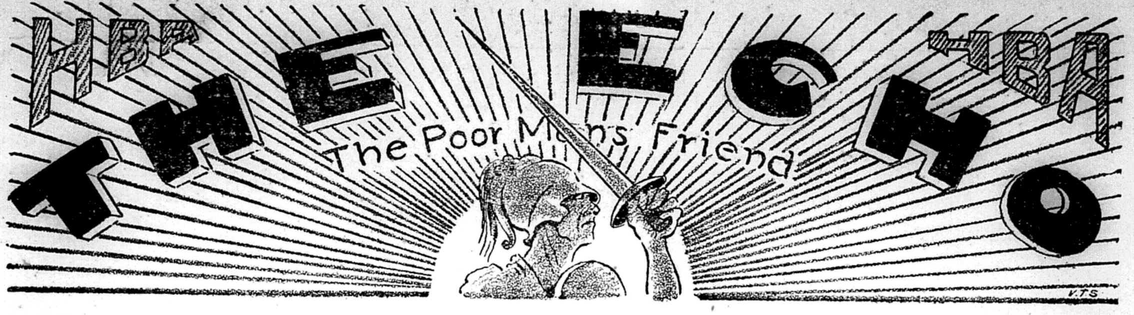

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AGENT'S REPORT

Dear Editor of the Echo: Give me space in the Echo to say to the many, many presidents of the Association that I am on the field visiting local lodges. Since I have been appointed State Agent of the Association, I have found quite a few things going on in various lodges that are really contrary to the laws of the constitution. In visiting local lodges I examine records, lecture, give instruction, correct errors and make my report to the General Office as to my findings. I am on the field and I find some of the lodges in pretty good condition. I want the local presidents to make up in their minds to do the right thing from now on and conditions will be changed, and you play a great part in changing the conditions.

The presidents should be careful as to whom they take in their lodges. Use your ballot boxes and your Board committee. If all local presidents had ballot boxes they would find out that the Association would cease to have so many deaths piling up from time time. We want all of our presidents to have back bone and apply by the Constitution. I am not notifying any of the local presidents that I will be to visit your lodge on any particular date. I only advise you to be getting things ready.

J. E. Durr, State Agent.

LAUREL

Dear Editor: This comes to say that Bro. J. E. Durr, our state agent, was with us on April 15th and lectured to our lodge. He also installed our officers. We presented to Bro. Durr $3.00 after the installation, we served refreshment, of which the agent certainly did enjoy.

Mrs. Ella Morrell, President.

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R. L. Y.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo for a few verses of poetry.

Subject: "The H. B. A. Aims At Higher Things"

The H. B. A. is a shining star
Her voice every where it rings
She never stoops to things that are low
But aims at higher things.

Whenever she starts a comrade aid,
She flies with outstretched wings
For she can't stop to lay in filthy dust,
Because she aims at higher things.

Her bag of knowledge and religion wealth
Is not tied with faulty strings
It must be secured to make our hearts flow
For we are aiming at higher things.

If some should ask the H. B. A. lodge
Why it's motto fierce and stings
No better answer could be given than
Because she aims at higher things.

In the grand old meetings of the H. B. A.
All hearts get on fire and sing
And the spirit leaps upon us from crown to feet
When we are aiming at higher things.

When our president goes to the Quarterly Boards
We are waiting for the message he brings
And when he draws near the H. B. A. will cheer
For his aim is on higher things.

The H. B. A. members have a nerve of steel
They can stand before queens and kings.
To the low class things they will not kneel
For they are aiming at higher things.

The knockers are knocking with nonsense stuff
And these are rocks he slings,
He is ignorant to think we will loose
By aiming at higher things.

The H. B. A. is the poor man's friend
But the enemies chunk their strings
But the more they chunk the stronger we get
To aim at higher things.
We have taken a stand to lead the world
And around our heart that clings
With God on our side we will stand the tide
For we are aiming at higher things.

The H. B. A. is a common sense trap
It is set with upward springs
It connects all her lines and does not leave a gap
For she is aiming at higher things.

Yours for higher things,

(Prof.) Wm. Williams, Vice President No. 400.

Praise to Thee

To thee I'll sing my praise:
For the joy in many ways,
That thou has brought to us,
Without scrimmage or fuss,
And to thee I'll sing my praise.

The man, whose name you bear,
Never, had better thought, or care
For his fellowmen, as when
He brought, thou light blend
With the praise we sing to thee.

Bearer, of the sunshine; giver of light;
Hope of your people, dispeller of night;
Where you have so cautiously sped
May others, blightly in your footsteps tread
While the world sings its praise to thee.

Man was once afraid to die;
Not that his soul wasn't ready for on high,
But because his body was often left in disgrace
And his family left on earth a nusiance to the race.
Those days are o'er; tis why we sing our praise to thee.

Time alone shall mark their end,
Time alone with thee shall blend,
Time alone shall sound they knell
Time alone shall follow thee to thy dell
Then Time shall sing to its praise.

(Miss) Helen Collins.

The timely poem above comes from the pin of Miss Helen Collins of Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Miss. We are informed that Miss Collins is the daughter of president Jim Collins of Laurel, Miss.

We wish to congratulate Mr. Collins for having a daughter in College, who seems to be poetical inclined.

We would that we had more young women of this type.

Secretary.

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TENTATIVE

The following named deceased members are to be paid off in the June BOARD:

1. Hal Phillips, No. 317, I. M. Moore, President, Deerbrook,
2. Margaret Sandford No. 4 Ed Portis, President, Kewanee
3. Bertha Patton No. 298, Ames Johnson, President, Macon
4. Malinda Lang No. 159, Jerry Lang, President, Langsdale
5. E. M. Jackson No 66, R.B. Scroggins, President, Richton
6. Margarette McDougle No. 193, R. C. Chapman, President, Waynesboro
7. Hattie Brown No. 213, Ed McLemore, President, Quitman
8. R. W. Gross No. 388, J. P. Jackson, President, Lambert
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16 Frank Graham No. 416, R. A. Lucious, President, Pelahatchee
17 Hennie Dickerson No. 303, Johnnie Adams, President Shubuta
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25 Cornie Waliey No. 301, Jas. Walley, President, State Line
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27 Mary Lue Tailor No. 185, Walter Tate, President, Brooksville
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31 Mary M. Simmons No. 425, T. S. Sutton, President, Laurel
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39 Rebecca Thompson No. 57, W. C. McLeed, Pres., Bassfield
40 Julia Hardy 11, A. T. Shadwick Pres., Meridian

FROM I. M. MARTIN, GENERAL TREASURER OF H. B. A. VIMVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: Please allow me space to reply to some of our presidents and friends, since so many of them do not agree with me. I think Bro. T. Conner was the only one who said that I was right, however, I noticed the General Secretary endorsed my saying, because he sees as I see. In fact, just about all of the General Officers have agreed with me. Some have met me in person and said that I was right, some have said I was wrong. I may be wrong, but if we keep the gate that we had sometime ago, there will be some man who will say that I am right I am not expecting that all should agree with me. We can disagree and remain friends right on. Fools will disagree and fall out, So I do not think hard of anyone for disagreeing with me.

I do not agree with our friend and Brother Jame Walton. He said he is not in favor of cutting the assessment neither am I, but I would rather get $200.00 than to get nothing. Hear my friends, if we don't put a halt to some of our actions, something is going to happen. This Brother also stated that he didn't think that my article should have been printed, fearing that it might cause a lot of the members to fall out. Well, Christ said "It is better for one man to die than for a whole nation to perish" Therefore, I say it is better for a few to drop out than it is for the whole Order to die This same Brother stated that as a rule the big fish eat up the little fish. I didn't know that we had any fish in the Holbrook Benevolent Association. That word means a whole lot. He said he had his eyes open looking on both sides. Well I hope he will see the right thing. I have been in and around the H. B. A. for forty-two (42) years and I have looked on all sides, ends, looking in the past, present and future and I say again if we don't compell some of our men and lodges to change, the end is near. The same Brother said he doens't think that the local presidents should be criticized for taking in people who are too old, sick and worn out. I wonder what side was he looking on when he wrote that? I don't think such as that should have come out in any paper. He remnided me of the tale about the little billy that was on the rail-road track and the train blew for him to get off. He bowed and stood up in the middle of the track. The train wofed up and killed him in a giffy. The engineer said "I like your nerve Mr. Billy, but I wouldn't give a D . for your judgement." Brother Walton, don't get offended at this for men will differ and remain friends. but if all of we presidents and members take in all of these kind of people, we might as well close the door. I like your nerve, but I wouldn't give a D.... for your judgement. This same Bro. said that the office is to blame for these old folks, worn out folks and sick folks getting in, since the office is the gate way, and through their recommendation, they pass through the office.

Members are made by local lodges and not the General Office. And if the Brother's statement is true, it is a shame for us as local presidents and members to allow the office to put so many bad members in the H. B. A. Members whom the General Office has never seen and doesn't know. Ofcourse, nobody believes the statement but Brother Walton, that the office is to blame. I am now serving my twenty-sixth (26) consecutive years as local president and I have not alowed anyone from the office to put anybody off on my lodge whom we thought was unworthy. I will close with no ill will to any man, but love to all.

PACHUTA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 242 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Mrs. Mattie E. Jefferson. I trust when we have a death on earth it means a birth in heaven.

A. L. Williams, President.

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The Boards at New Augusta and Pelahatchee, remain the same. All presidents are asked to keep this meeting in mind. Please remember that you cannot go according to report blanks, which are already out. You are to be governed by the report through the Echo. The Secretary will have to be in Augustia, Georgia on June 1st, being a member of the Joint Commission on co-operation of M. E. **Church** South and the **C.M.E.** Church.

E. F. Young, General President.

MUST DEATH CLAIM BE CUT

Sometime ago Brother I. M. Martin wrote an article with regards to the great danger that would befall us if we didn't put a check on some actions with regards to making members in the **H. B. A.** I notice quite a few presidents and members have responded to Brother Martin's article I was indeed glad to know that so many people were in favor of the Death Claim remaining $220.00 or more. I wish to state however, that this desire on the part of presidents and members must not only be shown in writing articles, but it must be shown through what you do and allow to be done. If you don't put a stop to it Bro. Martin's statement will come true. It is up to us to save ourselves.

Secretary.

LAUREL

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know the East Jerusalem lodge No. 422 has lost its first member in the person of Brother will Posey. Bro. Posey was in the organization of this lodge, and was financial secretary of this lodge as long as he was able to attend. He died a faithful member in good standing with the lodge. It is our loss, but heaven's gain.

R. V. Pope, President.

MONTROSE

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 333 is getting along nicely. We are small in membership, but we are doing real H. B. A. work. We made one member on our last meeting night, and still have more on file for membership. We pray that success will be ours.

N. A. Madison, President.
Birdia Madison, Secretary.

JUVENILE BOARD TO MEET AT EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

Meridian, Miss., May 13, 1931

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to say that the guides of the Juvenile Department are planning on bringing their children and rendering a program. A real nice time is expected. The following named persons are some of the honorable guides that are expected to report at this Board:

Mrs. Annie Smith, Meridian
. . K. L. Nixon, . .
. . Edna Pringle, Carmichael
Miss Martha Hardy, Meridian
Mrs. Rosey Russel, Marion
. . Hattie Smith, Toomsuba
. . Mattie Trussel, Meridian
. . Annie Kidd, Quitman
. . Annie Clark, Meridian
. . M. E. Williams, Brooklyn
. . R. B. Humble, Lambert
. . Lillie Cranford, Waynesboro
. . Viola Henry, Longstreet
. . Jenie Moore Waynesboro
. . Viola Deloach, Laurel

We are urging all presidents to organize a Juvenile Chapter at his or her respective lodge.

Rev. E. F. Young, President.
D. B. Borders, Secretary, Juvenile Department.

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DEKALB

Dear Editor: Please make space for me in the Echo. I want to let the many friends of this little paper know how No. 85 is getting along. We are doing fine so far. We have had lots of sickness on hand and still have sickness on the list, but we hope they will soon recover. By the help of God we keep up with our medicine bills. Some say cut the Death benefit, but I don't agree with them. Why make all suffer for what a few are doing? Cut them off and let the others live on. If there are members in the society who won't do right, have their trial and turn them out and let the Order roll on.

Yours for the order.

W. L. McDade, President.
Mrs. E. J. McDade, Secretary.

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Each local president has been requested to collect $1.40 from each of his or her members and report same in the June Board.

NOTICE

All presidents sending in back Death Claims for the March Boards will please fill out application blanks for every member sent in. Please do not fail.

Secretary.

MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: This comes to let the Association know that our lodge No. 27 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Sister Hanna Mae. Sister Mae departed this life April 21st. She was a faithful member and a willing worker. Her seat will never be filled. Sister Mae has only paid the debt we all must pay soon or late .

She leaves to mourn her passing a husband, two daughters, one son, two grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Mrs. Lucy Dunn, Secretary and Reporter.

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PHILADELPHIA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say a few words.

The Common Tasks Of Life

There is peace and joy that come to one in performing the common tasks in life. The humble duties that fall to the lot of the great majority the workers making life sweeter and better for those about us, giving a kind word, a smile, a helping hand and smooth and lighten the way. Indeed heaven itself comes round about us when we walk softly to the way of duty.

MACON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 305 are wide awake with H. B A. interest, working in peace and love. We meet three to four times a month. We have grown our lodge from seven members to twenty-five members. We have a nice little sum in our treasure, and we are proud to say that we don't owe anybody. We are asking the entire Association to pray for us that we might increase our membership to thirty by the June Board.

D. J. Harlan, President.

RICHTON

Dear Editor: Just a few lines to let you hear from me. This leaves lodge No. 66 is doing nicely. We are all in peace with one another. We are few, but we are doing the best we can. I don't write much to publish through the Echo, but I am compelled to say it isn't right to punish the whole Association for what some few members do. It will soon be election time and we are wondering what will happen. When you have a good horse and you are aware of what this horse can do, you aren't too particular about trading him off for a horse you don't know anything about.

R. B. Scroggins, president.

ASKING QUESTIONS

One should cultivate the habit of asking questions. It is a habit of youth and is usually dropped with years. Wise people are given much to asking questions, while the ignorants are ashame to appear unknowingly. The wise man knows how little he knows and would learn, but if the foolish is left alone, he will prove himself a lie.

Prof. H. T. Houston, President.

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SHUBUTA

Dear Editor: Just a few lines through the Echo to let the many readers know what sad things are happening. We had one member in the person of Rev. A. Diggs to stay in the H. B. A. six years, missed his claim in Sept. 1929 and died April 27, 1931, not belonging to any order. Wasn't that a pity? Then we had another member in the person of Bro. Geo. Trotter who renewed in this lodge December 1930. A well and hearty man missed the March assessment 1931, and died May 13th, 1931. Brother Trotter worked all day long. He lay down that night a well man and died with heart trouble. What a pity. What a pity. His death was a shock to this whole community. White and colored mourned his passing. Let us all try to be steadfast and unmovable, because we know we have got to lie down and die some day, and it is better to prepare for dying, because living will take care of itself. Times are hard, but we can get $1.40 much easier than we can get $40.00 or $50.00. People will say all manner of meanness about the General Officers and others, because a member happens to die unfinancial, and the general headquarters fail to pay said deceased, and I think it behooves us all to get ready to pay all claims.

Mittie A. Nelson, Reporter.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that we were highly inspired to have our agent with us. We have a fine man for our agent that stands for right. Mr. Johnson searched our records and he said that we are in fine shape. We donated him $3.00.

W. C. Davis, President.
Annie Clark, Reporter.

RICHTON

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 66 is doing nicely. We are not gaining any members, but we are doing H. B. A. work. Pray that our lodge might increase in membership.

R. B. Scroggin, President.

VANCE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 437 is on the line. We hold our meeting on Saturdays, and on our last meeting night we had a nice time. Agent A. M. Walker was with us and gave us some wholesome remarks. Our membership as a whole is doing fine. We are all working in love peace and harmony. I was sorry to know we weren't going to have a Board to convene here in June. The people wanted to see how the H. B. A. does business. We have two applications on file to our lodge.

Jake Johnson, President.

REPORT FROM AGENT A. M. WALKER

Lambert, Miss.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to say a few words. I visited lodge No. 386 with Mr. S. King as local president and I found that the ex-president, Rev. H. P. Clark, had misappropriated $10.65 that belonged to the folks. We appointed a committee to wait on Rev. Clark by the next meeting night. Mr. S. R. King was elected to fill the president's chair. I found that this lodge had an H. B. A. record, but it failed to have an H. B. A. charter. I advised them to send to the office immediately and get their charter. I was with lodge No. 45 with Brother J. M. Martin as president. I found this lodge o. k. All bills paid and they had a nice little sum of $49.00 in their treasure. On the same day I visited lodge No. 437 with Mr. J. J. Johnson as president. I found this lodge on time and all the work was being carried out in a systematic way. This lodge donated me a small sum and I found myself at lodge No. 434 with Rev. R. D. Moore as president.

Lodge No. 434 is in a splendid condition. They have $20.80 in their local treasure and don't owe any doctor and medicine bills to anybody. They donated me a small amount and I left with all of the members inspired to do better work. On Monday night May 4th I was with lodge No. 387, located at Denton, Miss. with Bro. shelby Humble as local president. I wish to state that this is the second lodge I organized and it takes first place among all of the others. They have $65.25 in their treasure and have paid all doctor and medicine bills. On May 6th I was with loege No. 388, J. P. Jackson as president. This lodge needed an agent. I explained the law to them regarding members being behind in home dues and read the laws of the Constitution to them. They also donated a nice little sum and I turned back to them 50c to put in their treasure. They have $6.25 in their home treasure. I agree with Agent J. E. Durr about the local lodges needing agents to visit them. We hope all the agents will get on their jobs and wake up. Look out agents, I am organizing a new lodge at Ram, Miss.

A. M. Walker, Agent.

KILN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 396 is doing nicely. We still get new members to join us, and I feel that the Lord has blessed us. Our lodge has been set up since November 5, 1927 and we have not had any death at all. I feel that the Lord has blessed us wonderfully.

Carrie Wilkerson, Reporter.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The contestants in the H. B. A. Drive will have until June 3rd to send in for new policies. We have extended the time from May 28, until June 3. At present president A. C. Drummond is in the lead, closely followed by President V. R. Chambers. We have at present forty-seven (47) presidents who have entered the race. Go to it boys.

Secretary.

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Rev. E. F. Young, General Pres.

NOTICE

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let all presidents and friends know that the Board will convene in Heidelberg June 11th at Shady Grove Baptist Church, on the Jackson Highway. Just one mile below Stafford Springs coming South. Going North, two and a half miles from Heidelberg, between Heidelberg and Vossburg, on Jackson Highway No. 11

R. McCormick, President.

LANGSDALE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in your paper to let the many readers know that lodge No. 95 is doing nicely. H. B. A. lodge No. 95 for eleven years has had one president in the person of Brother C. L. Pringle.

Brother Pringle had done some good work for the local society and the General Association. They say the H. B. A. is the poor man's friend and say it is a friend to the widows and orphan children. This entire community was in a bad condition before Rev. Pringle brought the H. B. A. here, especially those who needed a doctor. Too, in putting away the deceased, it has been help in different ways. All of the doctors want to know if you are an H. B. A. before making a call, and they take their time about coming until they find out that you are an H. B. A. Our president Rev. Pringle has been our Pres. for eleven years and we have found nothing about him other than honesty and fair play. I think we shall always keep him. Yours for success,

Laura Blanks.

BROOKHAVEN

Dear Editor: I am writing you to let you know that we lost one of our members in the person of Sister Cora Hooker. She departed this life on February the 24th 1931. It is our lost, but we are trusting it is heaven's gain. She left a loving husband, one son, two daughters, a mother, four sisters and a host of grand children and friends to mourn her passing. I am sorry, but her vacant seat can never be filled in our lodge.

Moses Walker, President.

ELLISVILLE

Dear Editor: Will you please notice, one of the oldest members of lodge No. 77 died March 28th at 11:00 o'clock, in the person of Rev. J. D. Delk. Brother Delk had been sick for a while. He is our loss, but we are hoping he is heaven's gain. Gone, not forgotton. He will be missed in Oak Grove Lodge No. 77. Brother Delk was a faithful member of Spring Hill Baptist Church.

Mrs. Bettie Faulknor, President.

MACON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say a few words to let the many readers know that lodge No. 394 is doing real H. B. A. work, and we are very careful as to whom we take in our lodge. Yet, we may have some evil speakers, but it doesn't stop us from doing the things that are right. I wish to state when Jesus was on his mission, the people said all manner of evil against him, and I can just see him going on his way smiling simple, because he knew what he was doing, was right.

So I fancy in my mind whatever a man or woman is doing right, just keep on pushing, and he will overcome some day. So when this lodge was first organized we had a hard time getting it started off to growing. I considered this lodge as when a farmer goes out to prepare a piece of land. Where it had not been in cultivation he had to first get it in shape before he could get any result off it. And he saw the work that had been done. So when lodge No. 394 was first planted it was on some ruff land and I have worked it up so I can manage it pretty well. So If we as members and presidents do right we won't have to beg and put anything in the H. B. A.

Eddie Roberson, Reporter.

CRANDALL

Sunday April 19, 1931 was a day of joy and happiness with Prof. S. L. Donald and family as it was reunion day. The pigs and old roosters died on Saturday and that made hard to get Prof. out to church on Sunday, though he sat at the head of the table at meal time and oh my! my!

The elder son, Edward Ellis and wife, Mrs. Viola Donald of Texas, sat at the right, Joseph S. and wife, Bessie Donald, sat to his left, daughter Minnie Odis, little Louis E. and Agnes Wimpod Campbell of Detroit, Michigan and Ben F. Donald sat in front while Taylor, Lucile and Eula C. waited on the guests at the table.

Mrs. Donald stood by the Prof. and enjoyed the whole affair, while her hands kept moving up and down. Mother Coatney Smith, Decky B., Eary Gregry, Evolean Williams and Miss Alice Donald also participated in the repass.

Song service was the amusement for the afternoon. Edward Campbell was the center of attraction. To the regret of the family, daughter Iola and S. L. Donald, Jr. and families were prevented by threatening weather of being present.

We will have to have this over so the other children can be present or they will think hard.

Reporter.

SHUQUALAK

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many presidents and friends who are going to attend the Board at Shuqualak, Miss. on the 9th of June, know that the Board will convene in the M. E. Church, in the same place where it was held before when it convened here.

W. L. Gillespie, President.

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PELAHATCHEE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 416 will entertain one of the June Boards. We mean to go over the top. I am sure the Board will be an inspiration to our people. We the members of lodge No. 416 mean to put the program over. And I, as president will see that no person over 55 years of age will join our lodge. Pray that we may be able to put the program over.

HARPERVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say a word about lodge No. 445. We are getting along nicely.

Glad to say we have a wide awake president. He is always on his job, he met the March Board and brought some wholsome advices to his people. We made three new members in our last meeting. Our motto is "ONWARD AND UPWARD." We are planning to give a picnic the 2nd Saturday in June, we are asking all that can come and help us at Lonepilgrim lodge No. 445, located at Harperville, Miss.

Mrs. Mary S. L. Smith, Reporter.

NOTICE

Dear Agents: In your visit to the local lodges, please see to it that all lodges have in their possession an H. B. A. record for the local Secretary, to use, an H. B. A. Charter and a ballot box. I want to also urge that the agents see to it that the presidents are explaining the laws in the Ritual and Initiation Guides. Please find out as to whether the members are being instructed along these lines.

If you find any lodges without a record, charter and ballot box please notify the office and we shall have to put a fine on each president who has not obtained the above mentioned. I also want to urge that you see to it that each member who goes in a local lodge is clothed with the proper regalia.

Rev. E. F. Young, General
President.

REPORT FROM AGENT J. E. DURR

Dear Editor: I am writing you with regards to my trip to Columbia, Miss., with president D. M. Marshall. I visited the lodge and I am pleased to say that I found that lodge on the map. We had a good meeting with some white visitors prsent. I lectured and instructed them along the Constitutional line I left every-body inspired to do greater work. I wish to state that president Marshall had his entire membership out to receive the goods that I had for them.

I found that lodge No. 115 with Rev. A. L. Smith as president, located at Sumrall, Miss., is doing pretty well. That lodge is in good condition. I found them with an H. B. A. charter and an H. B. A. record. I lectured and read the constitution to them. I also installed officers and left the H. B. A. fire burning in Sumrall so much so, that it reached President G. C. Well's lodge and set it afire. I am trusting that, that lodge will wake up and get a move on it. I added four new members to the lodge. I also visited lodge No 326 with Mr. James Rodges as president. I lectured and instructed the lodge along all lines. President Rodges seems to have the H. B. A. spirit and he asked that I come back and pay his lodge another visit. He thinks that we can get one or two more lodges in that section. I told him to go to it, I am at his service day or night.

I found the lodge with H. B. A. record and charter. The members and president are working together like bees. I wish to state that the H. B. A. has taken Columbia.

Relative to my visit to lodge No. 92 with Mr. Clem Brown as local president, I wish to state that I witnessed a glorious time. There seemed to have been a little dissatisfaction on the part of some of the members of this lodge and after a careful investigation of everything and I lectured and instructed them, they seemed to have seen things in a different light. Everybody seemed to have been satisfied. My visit to that lodge was very much needed. I left the spirit of unity with the members of said lodge and they all were in smiles.

COLLINS

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many friends and presidents who are going to attend the Board here Friday June the 12th know that the Board will convene in Leach Chapel C. M. E. Church in the park.

Rev. T. Jenkins, President.

AGENT AMES JOHNSON

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers know that I have just started out doing agency work on the 7th of May. I was with No. 298 Ames Johnson president. This lodge seems to have it's business in line. All of the members seemed to have enjoyed my visit. They donated me $3.20.

On the 8th I was with lodge No. 161 with Ames Johnson as president. This lodge has everything jam-up. I lectured, installed officers and left the members of said lodge satisfied. They seem to be true blooded H. B. A.s

I was with lodge No. 381 with W. G. Davis as president. I found this lodge sick but not seriously. Some were sick with headache. I gave them asprine tablets. Some had belly ache, those I gave a dose of salts. Some were billious, those I gave a compound cathartic pill of truth mixed with God's word. Soon aches banished. The waste threw off. A warm hand shake and expression by all of the members present. They donated me $3.00.

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D'LO

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 71 is doing nicely. We had our installation Friday May 15th. We have our same officers with the exception of Vice President. Sister Mary Heard was elected Vice president. Pray that we may do more for the H. B. A. this year.

J. S. Anderson, President.

PICAYUNE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 307 is doing nicely. We have a jolly meeting each month, never have any trouble we are going onward and upward. We succeed in every effort we undertake. We have one of the best presidents in the whole town, he is just o. k. and stands for the H. B. A. Our lodge made a round report in the March Board. Pray that we may do the same in the June Board.

Rev. T. J. Newkirk, President.
Mrs. E. L. Seller, Reporter.

LAMBERT

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say a few words about lodge No. 387. Our lodge is on an upward march. I have only been a member of the H. B. A. for eight (8) months, and I find that it is the best organization of its kind for our race. I am very pleased with the way the H. B. A. carries on business.

Mack McDonald, Reporter.

RICHTON

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to say that on April the 30th we had with us our state agent, Brother J. E. Durr. Brother Durr lectured and installed officers for our lodge. He also took in six new members. We have on file several application blanks.

B. H. Seals, President.

IMPORTANT CHANGE IN QUARTERLY BOARD MEETINGS

The Quarterly Boards for June will meet as follows:

R. A. Lucious, Pelahatchee, Miss., Friday June 5th.

J. M. Russel, Marion, Miss. Saturday June 6th.

G. W. Sterling, Laugsdale, Miss. Monday June 8th.

W. L. Gillespie, Shuqualak, Miss., Tuesday June 9th.

Wm. Peay, New Augusta, Miss. Wednesday June 10th.

R. C. McCormick, Heidelberg, Miss. Thursday June 11th.

Rev. L. Jenkins, Collins, Miss. Friday June 12th.

The Boards at New Augusta and Pelahatchee, remain the same. All presidents are asked to keep this meeting in mind. Please remember that you cannot go according to report blanks, which are already out. You are to be governed by the report through the Echo. The Secretary will have to be in Augusta, Georgia on June 1st, being a member of the Joint Commission on co-operation of the M. E. Church South and the C.M.E. Church.

E. F. Young, General President.

BOARD COLLECTION

Each local president has been requested to collect $1.40 from each of his or her members and report same in the June Board.

NOTICE

All presidents sending in back Death Claims for the March Boards will please fill out application blanks for every member sent in. Please do not fail.

Secretary.

BROOKHAVEN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the H. B. A. members know that hopewell lodge No. 362 is on an upward march. We had a rally the 3rd Sunday in May, which was enjoyed by all who were present. We have quite a few applications on file for membership. Pray that we may be able to add twenty-five new members in this drive.

Mose Walker, President.

A. L. Scarbough, Secretary

COLLINS

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 420 is still alive and doing real H. B. A. work. A few days ago we put on a rally in order to swell our treasure, we were successful in raising $10.30. We have some applications on file for membership, and we are still looking for more. Pray that our lodge will continue to grow.

Handy Barnett, President.

LIGHTSEY

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 228 is getting along fine. We are doing our best to gain as many new members as possible. I want the readers to know that we are in the prize winning. Some time ago we had a little trouble in our lodge, but one of our agents in the person of Mr. R. W. Young visited our lodge and got us straight. We donated agent Young the sum of $6.00 for his trip. Agent Young told us many good things about the association. We shall never forget him. We have two applications on file, pray that we might continue to add members to our lodge.

Will Ponder, President

MT. OLIVE

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the well edited Echo in order that I might let the many readers of the Echo know that lodge No. 212 has lost one of it's most faithful members, in the person of sister Lena Jones. She departed this life May 1st, 1931. She was a faithful member, of the church and H. B. A. Sister Jones joined the H. B. A. about five years ago. She was faithful until death. May she rest from her labors. Servant of God well done, rest from thy labors.

Rev. E. W. Washington, President.

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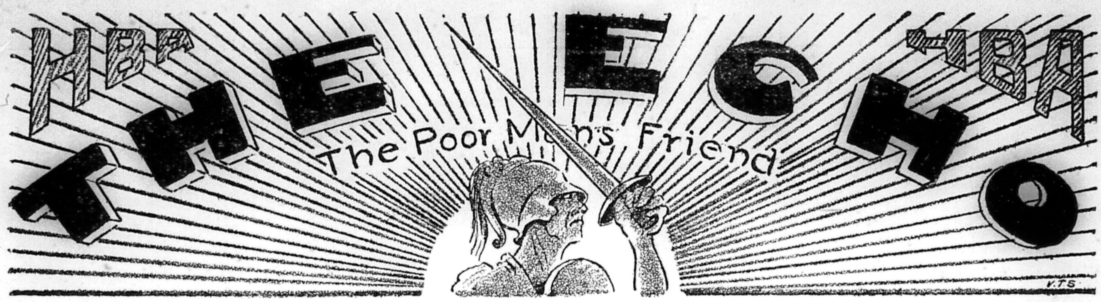

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Dispensation Continues

The dispensation continues. The joining fee for new membership into the H.B.A., remains at $1 00. 50c of this is retained by the local president and 50c is sent to the office for policy etc. More than two hundred and fifty (250) members were added during the last Quarter.

H. B. A. Boards A Success

The H. B. A. Boards that have just closed were a splendid success. We are not in position just now to give the total amount collected, however, we will publish the amount collected in the next issue.

President Esters and his good people at Pelahatchee went some. Mr. Esters and his son seem to be natural born orators.

President J. M. Russell of Marion, Miss., and his father-in-law, Jerry Bryant, entertained the Board in the old time style. Brother Russel, Bro. Bryant and the members of Marion lodge are getting back to themselves. A large number of the C. B. A.s have come back home to their mother, the H. B. A. Bryant and Russell, you seem to be running this train.

My good old friend G. W. Sterling at Langsdale, is a little ball of fire. Whatever touches him or whatever he touches is ignited, because of the dynamic force possessed by Sterling.

Little W. L. Gillespie and that Shuqualak host are hard to beat. Gillespie is little, but is loud. His members are with him one hundred per cent.

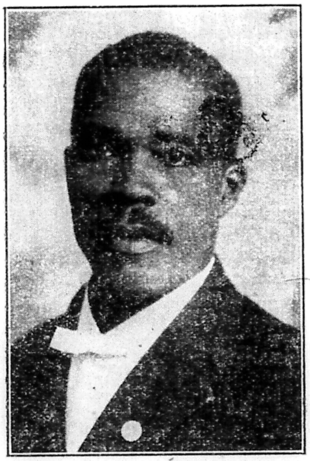
New Augusta with Wm. Peay and other Peays took New Augusta by storm. If you want things done and done right, see the Peays.

What about Heidelberg and R. C. McCormick? McCormick and his people beleive in stepping in high cotton. If you want a real good time, just go to Heidelberg and be entertained by McCormick and his members.

What about Collins and Rev. Jenkins? Never in the history has the Collins lodge had the pep and life that it now possesses. Jenkins was a gun and the son is taking pattern after his father. Rev. Jenkins is just a son of a gun. If you want to get brim full to the top and run over a little bit, go to Collins, Miss.

All of our presidents made splendid reports as a whole. Some few were short, but they are now mailing in the balance of their reports. All aboard for the H. B. A. Convention.

Secretary.



The above is the likeness of Rev. P. F. Howze, who will preach the Annual Sermon in the H. B. A. Convention, Monday evening at 8:30, July 27th in the H. B. A. Auditorium. Rev. Howze is usually called "Patt" by his friends.

NOTICE

We are going to try to pay some Death Claims in the Convention, however, we shall not publise any names.

Since our collection is cut to 50c, we shall not be able to say just how many will be paid, therefore, we will notify all persons through the Echo after the Convention is over as to who will be paid.

Rev. E. F. Young, **General President.**

Mt. Rose Miss.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 316 is doing nicely, and yet trying to do the thing that is right. We are doing real H. B. A. work. Pray that we might continue to put the progrm over.

Mrs. Fannie Walton, Reporter.

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AGENT J. E. DURR'S REPORT

Dear Editor: Please give me space through the columns of the Echo to let the presidents, friends and members know that I am still on my job. I visited Mr. W. E. Chapman's lodge, which is located at Newton, Miss. I instructed and gave the members a good lecture. The members were very much inspired after I had made my lecture to them. In fact, the lodge as a whole was in pretty good condition. The members are working together like bees. President Chapman seems to be well up on the work and doings of the H. B. A. I visited Mrs. M. E. Curry's lodge that is located at Lawrence, Miss., I lectured and gave the members some good instructions. I made a close inspection of everything. After making all necessary investigation, I found that Mrs. Curry's lodge is located in a HARD place and when I say HARD, I mean among knockers of all kinds. Some of the knockers were present when I was with Mrs. Curry and her good people, and after they sat attentively and listened to every thing that was being said, they saw the Holbrook Benevolent Association as never before. One of the reasons we have these knockers etc. in our various communities is because we fail to have presidents who will give them the facts, just as they are. If we stand up and give them the facts, we will readily find that our knockers will become boosters. I took in eight new members in Mrs. Curry's lodge. I found her lodge with an H. B. A. Charter and an H. B. A. record. I left Lawrence on H. B. A. fire.

I visited lodge No. 189 located at Cohay, Miss., with Mrs. Annie Turner as president. I was with them on the third Sunday in May. They had their annual sermon preached and I also took an important part in the meeting. After I got through lecturing and gave the facts to them as they are pertaining to the H. B. A. We took in seventeen members, and I am proud to say that sixteen of that number have sent to the office for their policies and they have said policies in hand. Hurrah for lodge No. 189. We raised a nice little collection to the amount of $10.00. The H.B.A. fever broke out in Cohay and everybody in that place has taken it. With regards to my visit with lodge No. 416, R. A. Lucious President and located at Pelahatchee, Miss. I wish to state that there was quite a bit of unrest in this lodge, but after I got through lecturing and explaining the Constitution and all of the laws governing the local lodges, the unrest soon disappeared. I made a close inspection of the records of the lodge and found it in pretty good condition. I found this lodge without a charter and an H. B. A. record. I had them to name their lodge and send for a charter at once.

I added three new members to the lodge. They elected their officers for the next two years. Mr. A. G. Easters was elected vice president, Mrs. Viola Jones financial secretary. I left the lodge with the spirit of co-operation and inspiration. "One hundred (100) new members" is their watch word. They are aiming at Mr. W. C. McLeod between now and the September Board, and I would appreciate very, very much if somebody would be kind enough to whisper this to Mr. McLeod in order that he may be on the watchout.

Yours for the order,

J. E. Durr, State Agent.

MCLEOD

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 389 lost one of its members in the person of Mr. Will Owner. Brother Owner departed this life March 3rd. Brother Owner was a faithful member the short while he was with us. He leaves to mourn his passing a wife, three children and a host of relatives and friends.

Wm. Harper, Reporter.

LAUREL

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers know that lodge No. 76 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Brother Ned Newell. Brother Newell departed this life May 19th after lingering since last July. Brother Newell leaves a mother, six brothers, two sisters, a loving wife and two children to mourn his passing.

Mrs. Ella Morrell, President.

Dear Editor: Please give space in the Echo. I wish to inform the many readers that we are doing nicely. One of our members, in the person of Mrs. C. A. Neeley is on the sick list. She has been a member for a number of years The lodge hasn't ever had a bill to pay for Mrs. Neeley before. Whenever she gets sick she sends daddy out in the woods to get mullen and rabbit tobacco to make teas. Sister Neeley is working to live and let the H. B. A. live. If we had more members, in the Association at large, like Mrs. Neeley, we would always have a strong treasure. I don't believe in calling the sick committee because we have the headache or stomachache. So when you need the Dr., I say you ought to have him. I don't believe in paying for the headache. So I will say to all H. B. A.s trust God and live.

Reporter.

ANNOUNCEMENT

To the president and members of the General Convention of the H. B. A: Since my friends and members of the last Convention were kind enough to offer me as a candidate for Vice President and being urged by members of my lodge, No. 82, being reelected local president by acclamation, I ask the members of the General Body to consider me as a candidate. If elected, I promise to use all my power and influence to maintain the high standard of service to our people with as little expense as possible to the members of the local lodges.

Very truly yours,

Thomas Blakney.

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NEWTON

Dear Editor: Here I come asking for a little space in the columns of the Echo to speak a few words to the local presidents and readers of this paper. We have to be so careful about how we speak to our brother and sister, because we read in the Bible where the Lord Jesus said in His teaching "Do unto all men as you would have them do unto you." Now H. B. A. Brothers, be careful about how you speak through the columns of the Echo.

I don't think it is necessary for us as presidents to have so much to say about a member when one dies, because you haven't ever died and not that you not going to die, because Joeb said "A man that is born of a woman has but a few days and they are full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower and is cut down.

Mr. W. E. Chapman, President.

Lodge No. 302.

STATELINE

Dear Editor: Just a few lines in your paper to say a few words to the readers of the Echo. I wish to state that we can put the H. B. A. program over if we will suspend and drop out all unfair presidents and members. I don't want the Death Claims cut one penny. The dispensation is alright. It is the people who are doing unfair work and the quicker we get rid of them the better it will be for all concerned. I refused to take in some good people on account of their age, and we must learn that you aren't suppose to take in persons who will not comply with the Association just because they are your friends.

R. W. White, President.

BROOKSVILLE

Dear Sir and Brother:
We were glad to have the March Board in our little town, Brooksville on the 2nd of March 1931. We were sorry to hear you say that there were lodges around Macon and Brooksville that were taking in members who were too old. Listen Brother Young, I say for Brooksville lodge No. 185 that we have not taken in any old members since the General President suspended Mr. Esau Sledge. We have never been in favor of taking in any old members. We are advising all of the old members to stay in the H.B. A., but we certainly are not taking in any. I know we have members in our lodge who are too old that were put in many years ago.

Reporter.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the column of the Echo to let the program of my school closing appear through the columns of the Echo.

On Friday night March 5th our meeting opened at 7:30. Several visitors, beside our many friends, were on program. Many drills, dialogs, songs and speeches were rendered. Rev. H. Ray delivered our opening address. We have had a very good school all this session. We closed out with some timely remarks from the trustees.

Mrs. Verna Lee Powe, Principal.

BASSFIELD

Dear Editor: Please allow space in the columns of the Echo for this to appear. We, the members of lodge No. 57, have come to a conclusion, that if we are going to elect a new Vice President; we do hereby recommend Mr. W. C. McLeod for General Vice President. He is a real H. B. A. member, and works for the uplift of the Holbrook Benevolent Association at home and abroad.

He joined Harper Lodge when there were only twenty-five members and he has helped to make it reach its one hundred and four members. Then we asked him to come here and set up one and he did so. He was made president of the lodge and had a membership of fifteen, and at present he has a membership of one hundred and five members.

Mr. W. C. McLeod has been able to make the highest report to the General Body for four years successfully; and he has held second and third place every since. He is a man of vision. He is always watching and planning the way for his people, and when the way gets dark and gloomy, he is always able to lead us to the shore. There is no truer man in the H. B. A. He is reliable in every respect. You can depend on just what he says. He believes in giving every man a square deal. He speaks frankly, yet he is kind; he may differ with you on an issue and yet be your friend.

Respectfully yours,
James Wilson, Vice President No. 57,
N. Barnes, Secretary.

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HICKORY

Dear Editor: Please make room for lodge No. 311 to say a few words through the Columns of the Echo. We are still on the map and still trying to do H. B. A. work and if you don't believe it come over here on July 4th. May 31st was a high day with us. We had our anniversary sermon preached and you who were not present missed a fine day. We had a packed house. Standing room was a premium. Dr. McElroy preached our anniversary sermon. Rev. D. L. Morgan of Meridian, Miss. was with us and spoke some very encouraging remarks pretaining to the good of the H. B. A. We had Rev. G. W. Williams present with us and he said some good things about the H. B. A. and oh boys, Rev. L. B McElroy made some wonderful remarks. We pray God's blessings on Rev. McElroy. We also thank Rev. Morgan for bringing some wholesome remarks from Meridian. We are asking the prayers of true H. B. A.s. Our doors stand open to all, so come over and be with us on July 4th.

Clarence Dasse, President.

Mary Jane Pace, Secretary.

MACON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 394 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of sister Margrett Williams. Sister Williams worked all day Tuesday 26th, until five o'clock and she went home to prepare supper, and she took ill before she reached home. Mrs. Wiliams' husband had to go for her and and bring her home. Sister Williams death was a shock to the whole community. She was loved by all who knew her. She leaves a loving husband, eight children five girls and three boys, one brother, and one sister a host of relatives and friends to mourn her lost. We feel that our lost is heaven's gain.

Eddie Roberson, President.

LAMBERT

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 387 is pressing forward to a better day. We have a splendid president also a good corps of officers. The president is putting forth every effort possible to swell our treasure. We can truly say the Lord is in the midst of us, and we are expecting to go through in his name.

D. C Coleman, Vice President.

The H. B. A. Convention

Convenes

Monday, Tuesday, July 27, 28, 1931

In The H. B. A. Auditorium **Meridian, Miss.**

50c CONVENTION COLLECTION

All president are requested to collect 50 cents from each member and report same at the Convention. All presidents who will not attend the Convention are requested to mail their reports in not later than Friday July 24th. Presidents are urged to collect 50 cents from every member of the local lodge. We are expecting 50 cents from each member on roll. If you have members in your lodge who are unable to pay it, we want to urge that the lodge and president get together and make arrangements in order that we might have a round report. We needed 90 cents in this Convention and need it badly, but a number of presidents and members have appealed to us to cut the assessment some if possible. Now, if the local presidents fail to collect from all members or make arrangements and report for all members of the lodge, we will be left in a bad shape. We are therefore expecting a round report from each local president. Please do not come with an excuse.

Convention report blanks will be mailed out in the next day or two. If you do not have your blank in hand by the 23rd of June, please write to the office for a blank.

It is going to be necessary that we know what presidents will attend the Convention in order that we may provide a home for you. As you no doubt recall, the Convention passed a law two years ago that all delegates pay $1.25 a day for board, but we are insisting that the homes secured in Meridian will not charge more than 75 cents a day for each delegate.

The Convention will open at 9:00 o'clock. We are going to be in session two days only and since this is general election year, it will be absolutely necessary that all delegates be present strictly on time.

If there are presidents or members who have composed songs, poetry etc. touching the work of the H. B. A., you are cordially invited to be present. We are going to do our best to give each person of talent a chance to appear before this Convention. It will be remembered that Mrs. M. E. Curry of Lawrence, Miss., is about the best composer that has appeared before the Convention, however, we understand that a group from Mr. S. L. Walker's lodge at Pinola, Miss. will be present. Get ready friends to enjoy a **Big Convention.** An elaborate progrom will be planned for Monday night. Every president who makes a round report will wear an honor badge given by the Association.

The Annual Sermon will be preached by the Reverend P. F. Howze or this city. Reverend Howze is district President of the B. Y. P. U. and is considered to be one among the best preachers of the city. All presidents are requested to fill out the blank space below and mail it to the office in order that we shall be able to know who is going to attend the Convention.

Dear Secretary:- I, ---, President of H. B. A.

No. --------- will attend the Convention -------------------------- will not attend the Convention. (If you are coming cross out will not. If you are not attending cross out will attend)

Have you a stopping place for the Convention? --------------------------

REV. E. F. YOUNG, General President
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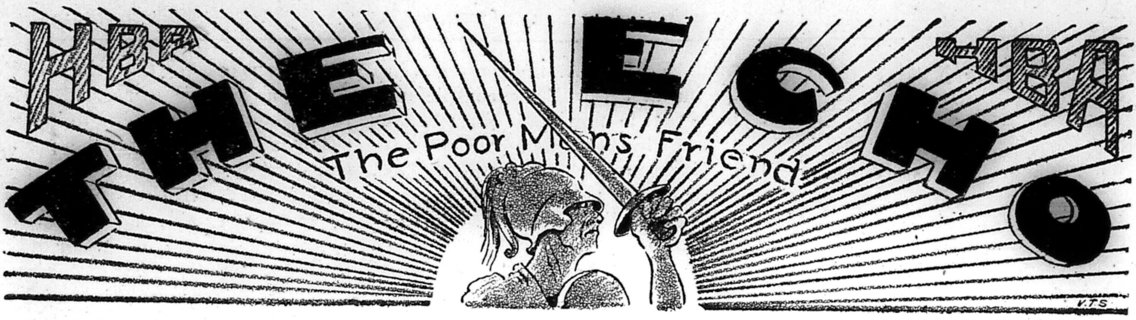

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BOARD COLLECTION

The June Board collection was very, very good when we take under consideration the scarcity of finance. Of course, there is as much money now as there was a few years ago, however, the men who have it don't turn it loose so readily. The June collection amounted to about $11,000.00. We paid forty claimants $220 each.

We Were also in position to pay some on our debts after paying these forty claims, $8,800.00.

IMPORTANT

In the last issue of the Echo we ran a notice asking all presidents to mail the clipping that appeared in the Echo to the office advising us as to whether you would attend the Convention. Presidents, it is absolutely necessary that you mail these requests to the office. We are only making preparation for those presidents who notify us. If anyone comes to the Convention without notifying us as to whether you have homes or not, we will have to do the best we can for you. In other words you will have to be the last one placed. Why not notify us in order that we might know the number or homes we must obtain? I think it is fair for you to do this don't you? Only a few of the presidents have notified us.

Secretary.

DEKALB

Dear Editor:-

This comes to say that Brother M.T. Houston departed this life June 10th. He was a faithful member of lodge No. 113. He has served vice president for six years.

During his time as a member of our lodge, he has proven to be a staunch H.B.A. member, which was ten years. He said that he had made peace with God. He has been in failing health about twelve months. We are hoping that our loss is heaven'ns gain. We are striving to meet Brother Houston when the roll is called on high.

Mrs. Willie Neeley, Reporter.

PELAHATCHEE

Dear Editor:-

Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that our lodge is doing nicely. Love, peace and harmony always prevail in our lodge No.416.

Our state agent, Mr. J. E. Durr, visited our lodge May 18th and 19th. We had a wonderful time. We took in three members and re-elected officers as follows: A. J. Esters, vice president, C. G. Collier, Financial Secretary, Viola Jones recording secretary, Sister Girthie Handy, treasurer.

On the fifth of June we had the Board for the first time. We feel that meeting meant a great deal to our lodge. We hope to have it soon. We love the H B. A. We find nothing better than the H. B. A. Our lodge is still growing. Agent Durr said that we must go over the top. Our president says that is all that he ever did do.

Mrs. Girthie Handy, Reporter.

Dear Editor:-

please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that one of our faithful members, in the person of Mrs. Bertha McGee, departed this life Sunday June 21st. It was sad to give her up, but we are praying that our loss is heaven's gain. She leaves to mourn her passing, five girls, three boys, a loving husband and a sweet daughter-in-law. We bid her God's speed and tell her to sleep on and on.

L. Mary Thigpen, Reporter.

NOTICE

Dear Presidents:-

Any personal checks given for Death Claims, Quaterly Dues etc. will not be accepted. However, if some of our presidents insist on sending personal checks, we shall refrain from giving receipts through mail or in person until said checks have been deposited for collection and we have been notified through the bank that the collection has been made.

Secretary.

Dear Editor:

Our faithful member, Sister Mahalia Ward, who joined our lodge No. 70; thirteen years ago, passed away June 23rd. We pray that our loss is Heaven's gain.

Tom Smith, Pres.
H.B. Nelson, Reporter.

Mr. R. W. Young was married to Miss Ethel Digman Wednesday June 17th at the home of the bride. They are now living in their cozy home on 31st Avenue and 20th Street, Meridian, Mississippi. Miss Digman has been a teacher in the city public school of this city for a number of years, while Mr. Young has been connected with the agency work of the H. B. A. and for tombstones. We wish for them a happy voyage.

DESOTA

Dear Editor:

Please give me space to say that lodge **No. 153 has lost one of its faithful members** in the person of sister Annie Walker. She died June 8th, 1931. She leaves to mourn her passing three brothers, one sister, two daughters, four grand children and a host of relatives and friends. We believe that our loss is heaven's gain.

C. J. Pickett, President.

Dear Editor:

Please allow this to appear in the columns of the Echo, without the severe criticism for what we consider to be premature, but fearing you maybe beseiged by so many applications for the September Quarterly Boards. We are therefore asking you at this early date to consider our application for one of the September Boards of this District. We feel that lodge No. 400 is adequately prepared to intertain the Board. It would add inspiration to the lodge and community. Both white and colored would be tickeled beyond comparison should a Board be held with lodge No. 400 in this community. We are asking you to consider our request with favorable consideration.

Yours for the Order,

Claude Gavin, President,
William William, Vice President.

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EDITORIAL

We are fastly approaching our H. B. A. Convention for 1931. I was elected General Secretary of this order in 1916 to carry out the unexpired term of the Rev. W. R. Ramsey. For these fifteen years, I have given this Organization the best there was in me. I have striven to do the right thing as best I knew how. A number of times I have been criticized for doing what I thought was right and just. No human being is perfect, therefore, I admit that there were times that I was criticised by local presidents and members and justly so. Not everything that I have done for these past fifteen years was done as it should have and ought to have been done. Not every move that has been made by me was the right kind of move. Not every word that has been spoken by me was the proper thing to say, but I was doing my best and for that reason, I have no apology to make. My record stands before you.

We must admit that the growth of this Order for these fifteen years has been tremendous. Under the leadership of my father and myself, a great work has been accomplished. Someone may ask the cause; as to why I make such a statement with regards to my father and myself; I tnink I can truthfully say, and it is understood, that whatever progress-move that has been put forth we deserve the credit as General Officers. We have stood the storm, the shot and shell. We have evolved victoriously. The General Treasurer, I. M. Martin, has never hindered us or attempted to hinder us in any of our undertakings for the past fifteen years. Whatever we have advocated he felt that we knew best, and he said go on, we would have been further up the road no doubt, if we had not lost so much time trying to whip certain men in line who held some General office position. Again, I say with modesty, that the standing that the H. B. A. now possesses in the business world, the conspicious place that it now holds must be attributed to the sound and sane leadership of my father and me. He has never been jealous of me, neither have I been jealous of him. We have worked harmoniously together and if we had differences we had them to ourselves and not to the public. May I say again with modesty, that when we work together there are two strong minds working together.

The Association has been benefited because of the experience that the General President has had; because of his sound and sane advice; because of his desire to deal fair with all men; because of his humbleness and meakness. The Association has been benefited because of the conservative manner by which the General President has conducted affairs. It has been benefited because of the great love that he has for the people. It has been benefited because he has been willing and ready at all times to make sacrafices for this Organization. It has been benefited because he has given to this Association not one son, but three or four sons who are walking in his foot steps and who can manage anything that this Association might trust to their care. Then again, I say that the Rev. E. F. Young, General President of the Holbrook Benevoleut Associotion, has been a great asset and not a liability. I am glad to know that my father is the father of a number of boys and girls who have had the fireside training; Sunday School training; church training; the intellectual training and the business training to the extent, that when they take hold of anything for the people, the people are not ashamed of them.

Suppose I "toot" my horn a little bit. I feel that the Association has been benefited and greatly so, because of the splendid service that I, as General Secretary, have rendered. It has been benefited because of the "bull dog tenacity" that is in me to never turn loose. I have the opportunity to make the concern a growing concern or a dying concern. Let it be understood that there is great power for good or for bad in the man who wields the pen. There is life or death in the pen and if I must say it for myself, allow me to say that I have made the pen give life for fifteen years. The pen has given life and life abundantly. None has been able to buy me. I have not been up for sale. There have been attempts to buy and bribe the General Secretary, but he was not and is not for sale. Some men will knock you because of an honest stand that you take, but stand the storm, it won't be long we will anchor by and by. There has been and is some criticism on the Young family. Some-times you hear people say that the H. B. A. is a family concern. The people elected my father to his position as President and the people elected me to my position as Sec'y. If this is a family concern friends, do you not think that the state of Mississippi would be better off if we had a few more family concerns? I have been willing at all times to stand the test as Secretary. I have been willing to do the right under fire and severe criticism. I have always won, I have never lost a battle. The association is benefited because it elected a man as Secretary who had a progressive mind, a big mind, an intelligent mind, a mind to do unto others as I would that they should do unto me. I venture the assertion that if we had had three or four strong minds instead of two, we would now be on higher grounds.

We want men, we do not merely want office seekers. We want men whom the people want. There are some of us who desire to hold high positians and we are not cut out for leadership. Friends, do you know that leaders are born? There are a lot of good men, honest men and intelligent men who want high and honorable positions, but they are not endowed with the ability as a leader. A leader should be a man who is capable of leadership to the extent that when he passes somebody will say "What big man is that?" Leaders should look like a leader. They should act as a leader. They should command the attention of the people as a leader. In other words, a base ball should look like a base ball and not a marble. The H. B. A. under the present leadership has done more for the people of the state of Miss., than any other Organization in the State. It has reached more poor people than any Orgrnization that I know of. I know that the people talk about the Youngs, they can not help it. Have you ever seen a man or woman, a church, a community, or a group of people who were doing things that were not talked about? One of the outstanding things that makes a man, a family, a group of people shine is the fact that they are talked about. What about Abraham Lincoln, Fredrick Douglas, Paul Lawrence Dunbar, Woodroe Wilson, Booker T. Washington, Christopher Columbus? I say what about these men? They were talked about, they were fought, but did they stop?

Why stop when people are talking about you and your family?
They are giving you a big name.
They are making you shine. Do you know that in the H. B. A., when some one opposes the Youngs that he is making for us a bigger and better name? The H. B. A. is what it is

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because we have shown our ability as leaders. It matters not how eager the followers may be to go forward if the leaders are not made up out of the right kind of material, the followers will never get anywhere.

Whereas, on the other hand, if you have got the right kind of leaders, they will make out of the followers what they want them to be and if they can not make them, they will pray to God and there will be born in the world the right kind of men to follow leadership. We must give all some credit for the success that the H. B. A. has made, but friends we want it clearly understood that the most of the credit for the success of this Order must go to the leaders. It is a fact that you cannot get around. Whenever a man who is following wants to rebel and fail to do the right, if you have the right kind of leadership, that leadership will try to coax him in line; if that will not do he will try to pull him in line; and if that will not do, he will try to whip him in line, and if that will not do he will whip him out of line and the leadership will go out and get men who will follow.

There is a magnetic force in leadership, there is a drawing power in leadership, there is something in leadership that will draw men. A real leader to the people is a bright light in darkness. You may take a light and place it in the woods, the darkest hour of the night and it will not be long before it will have bugs, candle-flies, bats and insects of all kind and sometimes larger animals, flying and settling around this light.

The light will have so much force on some of these insects that they will be burned to death in the light. Do you see the point? The same is true of real leaders. These bugs, bats, flies etc. are in the woods scattered, but when the light comes they flock to the light. So it has been in the H. B. A., our people were scattered hither and thither. They were not together. There was no kind of monument in the state of Miss., that we could point to with pride. The people wanted to go, but they were suffering for leadership. When E. F. Young was elected General President and R. L. Young was elected General Secretary, the light came and the people have been flocking to us. Our magnetic force has been so strong that some have died fighting for us and the cause we represent. At times the bugs will fly against the light and it appears as if the bug is trying to beat it out, but ere long the poor bug will fall victim to the light. We have had a few bugs fighting against the Youngs, but ere long those bugs fell victim at our feet.

Roy L. Young, General Secretary.

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R. W. Young, Agent.

WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me epace in the Echo to say a word or two to the entire association to let the many readers know how we are getting along in our lodge. I think we are doing business. We are doing a business that we aren't ashame of. We don't care who visits our lodge they can notify us or slip upon us, we don't for I am forced to say that we are doing H. B. A. business. I wrote a letter to Meridian and asked the General President to be with us on the 12th of July, and since that I have received a reply stating that if nothing happens he will be here. I want all of the local presidents to please be with me on that date and look my crop over and see what you think of old D. L. Harris for a local president. We take in a renewal or a young new member very often. Old members sent in their applications and we ballot on them and they passed. I chanced to see the applicants before they were made and asked their ages, not telling them that if they were more than sixty they could not join the order, and they readily told me that they were more than sixty. I didn't tell them I could not take them in my lodge, but I told them to stay until I sent for them. I want to say if all of the local presidents would do that kind of business we all will be better off. I wish to state that this year is our general election year. This reminds me of a man who drove off in a river with a big horse and a little horse. The man sank and when he came to the top he caught the little horse by the tail. The people standing on the bank of the river hollowed catch the big horse by the tail and turn the little horse aloose. The drowning man spoke in a semi conscious voice Folks this is no time to change horses. So presidents you may read between lines.

I am still asking for the september Board.

D. L. Harris, President.

AGENT J. E. DURR'S REPORT

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to make my report. On my visit to lodge No. 408, with the Rev. M. Thomas as local president I lectured and instructed them with regsrds to the law governing the association and what the Holbrook Benevolent Association really stands for. The people of Forest were inspired so much so, until all knockers became boosters and I took in ten new members. President Thomas has made a record in Forest for the H. B. A. the lodge is two years old and they haven't lost a member yet by death. I think that is going some. I think some of our presidents who are having so many, many deaths in their local lodges, ought to see president Thomas and talk with him. I installed offices for the next two years. I found them with an H. B. A. charter and record.

In my visit to Prof. Thos. Blakney's lodge, located at Quitman, Miss , I lectured and gave them instruction. I made a close inspection of that lodge and I foucd that lodge in a very good condition. All members up to the standard financially. They need a deal of teaching and training with regards to the Constitution and Ritual. I found them with a charter and record. They have a very, very good membership.

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LAUREL

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me space in the Echo to let you know that Linday lodge No. 392 is moving on nicely under the leadership of our famous president Mr. M.A. Lindsay. We have taken in ten members since the last Board. We are climbing although we see plenty of room for improvement. The death angel has visited our lodge and took from us our dear Brother Sam Langston. He departed this life Friday morning June 12th at 3:00 A.M. The prayers from our lodge are that we are trusting he is heaven's gain.

M.A. Lindsay, President.
Rev. W.M. Harkless, Reporter.

MT.OLIVE

Dear Rev. Young:-

This is to let the many readers of the Echo know that we the members of Lilly of the Valley lodge No. 116, gave a reception on the 9th of June. We witnessed a marvelous time. The old H.B.A. spirit was in every one. The ladies surprised us with plenty of refreshments. The Brothers decided that they would not be out done, so they furnished us with cold drinks. We raised the standard of the H.B.A. 75 per cent. Look out boys, we have old members renewing and new members joining.

Yours for the Order,

Matthew Rowe, President.

ELLISVILLE

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 58 has lost a faithful member, in the person of Mr. Elbert Crawford, who died May 23, 1931.

Mr. Crawford leaves to mourn one daughter, one son, three brothers, three sisters and a loving wife. We hope our loss is heaven's gain.

Mrs. S.P. Jones, Reporter.

BROOKLYN

Dear Editor:-

This comes to say that the death angel came and summonded our dear brother in Christ, Brother C.C. William.

He has been president of lodge No. 248 for several years. We are trusting that Brother William is sleeping in Jesus. He was a faithful worker in his lodge and his church as well. Shortly before he died, he and several more members of lodge No. 248 transferred to lodge No. 266. We were glad to get Brother William.

Rev. J.R. Ervins, President.
Mrs. Maggie Ramsey, Secretary.

CONVENTION

We are earnestly appealing to our local presidents to be sure to collect 50 cents convention tax from each member of your lodge. We urge that you do not wait until the last minute to get your money, but begin now. We hope to make a creditable showing in the convention. We are appealing to all presidents to make round reports. We are going to give each president who makes a round report a badge of honor to be worn during the convention. Start now presidents to collecting your money in order that you will be one of those to wear the badge of honor.

Secretary.

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REV. E. F. YOUNG, General President
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SILVER CREEK

Dear Editor: Please allow space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 347 is getting along nicely. Our lodge has the H. B. A. at heart, and we ask the prayers of the whole Association. We are asking the Secretary to please remember us in the September Board. I am sure the Board will be a help to our community. We are trying to make our lodge what it ought to be, pray that success will be ours.

C. M. Weathersby, President.

LAUREL

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 392 is getting along nicely. We have a loving membership. We have added twenty members to our lodge since the dispensation has been on, and have six more applications on file. We feel sad because we have lost one of our members in the person of Bro. Sam Langston. Brother Langston departed this life June 12th. He leaves a loving wife, one niece a host of relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

M. A. Lindsay, Pres.

MACON

Dear Editor: Please make room for lodge No. 399 to say a few words through the columns of the Echo. We are still on the map and still trying to do real H. B. A work. June 30th was election night, which we had in our midst Brother A. Johnson, agent for the association. We think Brother Johnson is a real H. B. A. man and works for the uplifting of the Association. He made some very interesting remarks. He is little, but he is loud. He is a little ball of fire and everything he touches become ignited. Brother Johnson you are always welcome in our lodge No. 399 extends a cordial welcome to you all times. We have the spirit to do better H. B. A. work than ever before and ask the many readers to pray that we may continue and put the program over.

Carrie Strode, Secretary.

BROOKHAVEN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know how lodge No. 353 is getting along. The thing our race needs most to day is faith. There is no barrier that faith may not leap. Any time we move or perform a task, we progress to faith. But always the more faith we have the more we can do, because of it. Big faith, big deeds, these two can never be separated. What we H. B. A.s need is more faith in our leaders, more faith in our organization. The western world was found on faith, so was the H. B. A. Those who sought it had little money and scant equiptment, but they were rich in faith. So were the founders of our great order, the H. B. A. The pilgrim fathers who settled in England, those brave Acadians who settled in Novia Scotia, those later Pioneers who left their foot prints in blood on the plain Far beyond the voices of those beloved ones at home, these brave men and women lived upon the bread of faith. What others have done we can do. We know that we have been knocked and our standard has been rudely and roughly shuffled, but faith can heal the wounds and smooth the scars if we have faith in God and be true to our fellowmen. Then we will have the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen.

Z. L. Creshan, Secretary.
Lodge No. 353.

AGENT AMES JOHNSON'S REPORT

Dear Editor: On May 29th I was at Paulett, Miss. with Rev. W. M Perry as local president. This lodge was said to have been in a little wrangle, but when I came to find out Prof. Long had caught a turtle and wanted help to eat it, I soon settled all differences. I made a lecture and explained the law. All records were in good shape. I left this lodge with a determination to do better. All enjoyed my visit. This lodge knows how to treat an agent. You tell them they gave me car rides, cow milk, eggs, coffee, ham and many other good things, but what I consider best of all was love and respect On June 5th I was with lodge No. 400 with Mr. Claud Gavin as president. I installed officers, lectured and explained the law in full and corrected a few errors. And soon the H. B. A. fire began burning. The Lord has been with me in these trips that I have made. God be my helper as I go I expect to line them up right this is a good lodge.

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE

When one serves his time in this world with credit to all, too much praise can not be given him. The death of Mrs. Eliza Brown Smith was quite a shock. Mrs. Brown departed this life July 1st. She had just returned home from a five weeks visit at Crandall, Miss., where she had been helping to nurse her invalid mother, Mrs. Coatney Smith. She became worried over her home affairs and on her return she became ill. The 2nd day of her illness she was taken to a hospital where an operation was performed, life lasted only two days afterward. For twenty years she lived a true wife to her husband, and he said during that time his comfort and pleasure came first with her always. Twenty eight years ago she was quite a girl, but took the responsibility upon herself to begin working for the church, and at her home. All churches received her assistance, and they spared no little pains in contributing to her comfort and showing respect to her. She leaves a loving husband, mother, four sisters Mrs. S. L. Donald, Crandall, Miss., Mrs. Mary E. Griffin, Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Augie Smith, Dazie, Ala., Mrs. Hattie Howard, West, Virginia and Mr. A. B. and A. Taylor Smith, Laurel, Miss. Her many friends white and colored spared no pains in doing all in their power to cheer and comfort the bereaved family. The beautiful flowers that were sent by the different churches, Clubs, societies and white friends showed that she is held in high esteem by all.

Sleep on weary one
And rest from their labor,
Love ones will meet
On the other side by and by.

A Friend.

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The Following Lodges Reported the following amounts in the June Boards for Dues and Death Claims:

Lodge No.	Amount
1	$ 51.65
2	85.45
3	54.45
4	47.45
5	25.05
8	6.85
9	53.05
11	71.25
18	22.25
19	26.45
20	47.45
21	90.85
22	48.85
23	64.25
25	53.05
27	47.45
28	90.85
30	65.65
31	34.85
32	33.45
33	54.40
39	76.85
40	60.05
42	37.65
44	23.65
45	44.65
49	27.85
50	43.25
52	37.65
54	20.85
55	26.45
56	20.85
57	146.85
58	34.85
60	8.25
61	8.25
62	6.85
63	18.05
64	55.85
66	12.45
67	34.65
69	93.65
70	69.85
71	43.25
72	61.45
74	27.85
75	36.25
76	41.85
77	32.05
79	20.85
80	93.65
82	75.45
85	72.50
92	132.35

Lodge No.	Amount
93	116.10
94	53.05
95	43.25
96	47.45
98	11.05
99	37.65
102	60.45
103	20.85
105	36.25
108	65.65
110	26.45
111	9.65
112	81.05
113	149.65
114	55.95
115	19.45
116	92.25
118	41.85
119	109.05
121	15.25
122	48.85
123	60.05
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220	18.05
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228	28.45
230	46.05

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267	23.65
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442	25.05
444	43.25
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446	11.05
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450	60.05

SHUBUTA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know how the people are trying to speculate on the H. B. A. We had a man and his wife in our lodge and in March 1930 his wife got sick and her doctor bill was forty odd dollars and the lodge got so far behind with its debts until the doctor would not hold the lodge responsible for the bills, but he charged all bills to the husband of this sick woman. The woman and man failed to pay the December assessment 1930. I asked them why was it they failed to pay and he stated because the lodge failed to pay his bills. I don't think the members ought to expect the lodge to do everything for them.

M. Pope.

DENTON

Dear Editor: Please allow me a little space in the Echo to let my dear sisters and brothers know that lodge No. 387 is still marching upward. We have a sweet president. He is always for the right thing and works to that end. He is a christian gentleman and always looking out for the welfare of the local lodge. We also have a business like treasurer in the person of sister Emma Freamon. She is having her bitters and her sweets, but she is going on in the name of the Lord. This lodge, No. 387, had been on foot here at Denton for three years and has not lost but one member thus far. I know that the Lord has been good to us. Dear Editor: We are asking you to please let the **Sept.** Board convene in this district, because we have so many knockers here among our colored people.

Please look through the matter and let us have your reply. We are praying your reply will be a favorable one. We are prepared to take care of the Board. It would be a great help to our entire community.

Yours in Christ,

J. C. Middleton.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 434 is still alive and marching forward for the H. B. A. We had a call meeting on the 9th of this month and we had a nice time. We had one of our guest with us in the person of brother A. M. Walker, also his wife. Brother Walker gave some very helpful instructions, we always enjoy listening to such men. We hope to have him at any time.

Printes Darden, Secretary.

THE ANNUAL SESSION OF THE HOLBROOK BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION CLOSES WITH SUCCESS

The Annual Session of the Holbrook Benevolent Association, which was held in the H. B. A. Auditorium, July 27, 28, 1931, has closed one of the best Annual Session in the history of the Association.

The Convention was presided over with grace and dignity throughout the entire session by the General President, Rev. E. F. Young.

The First day's session was devoted to taking in financial reports from the representatives from the various lodges throughout the state of Miss. The financial reports were very, very good. A majority of the representatives made round reports for their local lodges. Taking under consideration the financial depression that confronts our state and country, I would consider these reports, that were made by the local representatives, to be best I have witnessed in any Annual Session. The Committee on finance, which was composed of Mesdames M. A. Nicholson, Lena Johnson, Messrs F. Ott, M. V. B. Pitts, E. W. Washington, W. C. McLeod, Profs. A. T. Shadwick, H. R. Evans, Messrs J. C. Williams and Buril Brown, is to be congratulated for the business like way in which it handled the financial reports made by representatives.

The auditorium was packed each day to its seating capacity by members and friends who came out to witness the annual session and general election. The second day's session was devoted to the unfinished business from the first day's session and the election of General Officers for the next four years. During the election everybody seemed to have kept very, very cool. The following persons were elected **General Officers** for the Holbrook Benevolent Association: Rev. E. F. Young, General President, Mr. E. F. Young, Jr. Gen. Vice President, Rev. R. L. Young, General Secretary, Mr. I. M. Martin, General Treasurer and Rev. H. Ray, General Chaplain. A general report of the H. B. A. Convention will be given by the General Secretary later.

Mattie L. Larkin, Reporter.

THANKS

I wish to take this method of thanking the many, many friends who supported me in the election of the General Vice President of the Holbrook Benevolent Association. I am also thanking those who didn't support me. It was the privilege of each delegate to vote his conviction. I want you to feel that the same interest will be manifested in you as in any one. We are all in one band and you elected me as your servant, and I assure you that I will serve one and all to the best af my knowledge and ability at all times.

E. F. Young, Jr.

NOTICE

As we go to press more than $3,000.00 has been reported on the Convention assessment, with a large number of reports continuing to be sent in.

Secretary.

NOTICE

If you fail to get your Echo, please notify the office and we will kindly send the ones that you failed to receive.

R. L. Y.

WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 288 is progressing nicely. We had our Annual Sermon preached on the 31st of May by Rev. E. J. Vivans. We met in Sunday School Sunday morning with King Chapel A. M. E. Church. The School was conducted by Brother B. J. Miles to the delight of all present. After which, all H. B. A.s in good standing were called to the hall where we with the co-operation of seven other lodges preformed the largest march ever known in the county. After marching in the welcome address was delivered by Brother B. J. Miles. A nice program was rendered by sister Maggie B. Williamson. Rev. E. J. Vivans assembled in the stand and took for a text John 3:16 God so loved the world that He gave His only begotton son, that who-soever believed in him might have eternal life. Subject Take out an Insurance with God. He preached to the delight of the audience A collection was taken amounting to $7.40. The refreshment committee also rendered a good service in their refreshment stand Saturday night. Our loving president, as he always does, led us so nicely. I wish to say to all the readers that we have a wide awake president. He instructs his people so wisely. He knows how. We have one among the best. Again I wish to say that we had with us on the 27th of June Rev. C. L. Pringle. He spoke many interesting things. Come again Rev. Pringle for our president is a yard wide. He keeps the doors of the lodge No. 288 open for such good men as you.

C. M. Mayfield, President,
Vandella Mayfield, Secretary,
Carrie Everett, Reporter.

CRANDALL

At shady Grove M. B. Church, the people showed themselves worthy of their profession. A rally was called off on the 5th Sunday. After the sermon was delivered by Rev. Geo. Parish, and responded by Rev. Donald. The offering was taken which amounted to $10.00. Refreshments were served and the ministers proved themselves in their places. Come again we are always glad to have visitors.

Reporter.

PERKINSTON

Dear Editor: Lodge No. 377 is moving along nicely. We are all working in peace and harmony with our president. We as members should be careful as to how we speak to our brothers and sisters with regards to wrong doings. We should [illegible] we would be done.

[illegible], Secretary.

NOTICE

The September Boards will meet at the following places with the following named presidents of said lodges: Cliftonville, Miss., Claud Gavin, Pres.
Richton, B. H. Seals, President.
Cohay, Mrs. Annie Turner, Pres.
Lauderdale, Mrs. Vallie Thornton, President.
Dekalb, C. A. Neeley, Pres.
Forest, Rev. M. Thomas, Pres.
State Line, Edward Burley, Pres.

WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: Please allow me space to say one word to the association through the paper. This leaves lodge 190 on the sunny side of life. I am forced to say that we are doing just fine. Every-time I go to the lodge there is some one who wants to renew, and some one who would like to join. Some time I think I had better close my lodge for I am getting too many members. I have so many members until I think I will have to get some one to assist me, and then a thought comes to me saying, God and I can handle these people. Please don't any one else ask for it.

D. L. Harris, President.

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SOME IMPORTANT FACTS REGARDING THE RECENT H.B.A. CONVENTION

On Monday, July 27th the delegates of the H. B. A. Convention were assembling at 2508 Fifth St, for the purpose of going into the most important convention that has ever been held in the history of the Association. The devotional services were conducted by Rev. H. Ray, this service was very touching.

Shortly after the devotional services the General President announced that the news had come to him that President J. J. Overstreet, of lodge No. 39, located at Lauderdale, Miss. had died. This was a shock to the delegation and for a moment the house was silent. The Financial reports were then called for. The Financial Committee was composed of Mdsm Lena Johnson, Mattie Nicholson, Messrs F. Ott, M. V. B. Pitts, W. C. McLeod, E. W. Washington, A. T. Shadwick, H. R. Evans, R. W. Ratcliff, J. C. Williams, and Burwell Brown. May it be said to the credit of this committee that there was not a variation of one penny when they were ready to make their settlements.

This was the best Committee Report on Finance that we have ever had in the history of the Association.

Committee on Temperance: H. Taylor, Eddie Robinson, Mesdames C. L. Longmire, Annie Smith, M. E. Curry, and Mr. R. C. McCormick made a splendid report.

The Committee on District composed of Agent J. E. Durr, R. W. Young, and Ames Johnson, was ready to make its report when called for.

Other Committee appointed were Committee on Resolution, W. J. Rankins, I. M. Martin, D. B. Borders, C. A. Neeley, S. L. Walker, I. English, Derias Croft, J. L. Smith, Rev. M. S. Knott, R. C. Cole, and V. T. Thompson.

Committee on Obituary, J. C. [illegible]ton, Dixie Russell, Rev. M. [illegible]omas, O. C. Thigpen, A. J. Bar[illegible]tt, Miss Helen Collins.

Committee on Grievance, Revs. Jim Goodwin, W. M. King, and B. J. Tatum, Henry Davis.

Committee on President's Address, D. M. Marshall, Prof. C. T. Tiggs, Jas. Walker, E. D. Portis, W. N. Knott.

Committee on Secretary and Treas. Report, Prof. H. R. Evans, M. V B. Pitts, and Jack Davis.

Committee on Agents' Report, Clem Brown, C. J. Pickett, Will Bourdeaux, E. G. Gordon, C. S. Hampton, E. Burley, A L. and W. M. Brown, and Mrs. Annie Blanks.

Nominating Committee, C. L. Pringle, J. M. Thompson, H. Edwards, J. M. Chappel, W. J. Rankins, F. Ott, J. H. Drakeford, D. L. Harris, A. Evans, I English, and R. W. Radcliff.

The above Committes made splendid reports and all should be commended for the splendid work done.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

At present we have taken in $3,500.00. When the Convention opened our total indebtedness was $24,989.73, our indebtedness at the writing of this article is $21,489,73. We have quite a few reports yet to come in.

ANNUAL SERMON

The Annual Sermon that was preached by the Rev. P. F. Howze was a masterpiece. Rev. Howze acquitted himself as a man equal to the task. The people of Meridian and its vicinity are still talking about that splendid sermon. The local program rendered just before the sermon was very, very timely. Some of those who appeared on program were I. English, who delivered the welcome address, with Rev. G. C. Wells responding.

VISITORS

Some of the distinguished visitors in the Convention were Revs. A. L. Perkins, D. L. Morgan, B. W. Coates, Prof. H. Ruffin, Drs. H. W. Wilson, L. F. Brooks, and Mr. Bolivar Hyde. All of these gentlemen delivered timely addresses to the body.

ENTERTAINMENTS

The Convention was Royally entertained by members who composed the Convention. Mrs. M. E. Currie, the great singer thrilled the audience with songs composed by her. Mrs. Annie Smith delivered a splendid oration, composed by her in honor of the H. B. A. The Walkers' Quartet from Pinola, Miss., sang the delegates almost out of their seats. A splendid selection was rendered by El Bethel Quartet. The Masterpiece was delivered by Prof. H. R. Evans, it was the best we have ever heard.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

The General President delivered what was considered to be the best annual address that he has ever delivered. The General Vice Pres. made a good report. The General Secretary was commended for his written report, and, the Convention considered it the best report in the history of the Association. The Agents' reports were good.

NOMINATION FOR GENERAL OFFICERS

We think it's worth while here to have a few words to say with regards to the Nominating Committee. This Committee seemed to have had the attention of the whole delegation. It is always our desire to do our best in appointing committees, but we didn't know and realize that we had such a spleadid Committee until it marched in to make its report. This Committee being headed by one of the old veterans in the person of Rev. C. L. Pringle. It was Pringle who carried the H. B. A. into a new section down the Mobile & Ohio Railroad. He not only organized a lodge 8 or 10 years ago, and, from that day until this day, he is the President, but, he has scattered H. B. A. lodges in each locality, and we can truthbfully say that there are more H. B. A.s in that section than any other section in the State. J. M. Thompson, comes from Bassfield, another big community, a big lodge, is president of lodge No. 23, and,

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TENTATIVE

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Dear Editor:— This comes to let you and all of those attending the Board at Pinola, Miss., know that the Board will convene in Dry Ridge Church, seven miles South

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THE CONCENTNATION OF ENERGY AS EXEMPLIFIED BY THE HOLBROOK BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

(By Gerlee Moody)

The Caption which I shall write under came to me sometime ago, after a close study of the many organizations among our race group. Many of them are making it with credit to the Race, but all could do better if our Race group would concentrate their energies, organized their will powers, utilize their efforts and vitalize their feelings.

No organization among our Race group has made the progress in such a short time as the Holbrook Benevolent Association. It stands out today as the strongest and most successful fraternal insurance body operated by the Negro in the United States to my mind.

The leaders Revs. E. F. and R. L. Young are men of vision, who have proven themselves profoundly interested in the advancement of the race. These two men are high Church-men as well as great business men. They are potent factors in their Churches and leaders in the communities in which they live. They are giants in the business and professional world. But with all ther attainments and business qualification, if concentration of their efforts, aims and energies backed by the strong force following them were not harmonious, I fear we could not at this time boast of the great achievements done by the Holbrook Benevolent Associatian as is ours to do now.

Some one has said, "To make steam effective you must bind it up in an engine; to make water servicable you mnst harnest it to a mill; to make electricity manageable you must mask it in a battery, and to make men useful in reformatory and remedial work you must recruit into an organization."

It is within the province of those charged with the duty and responsibility of promoting and completing the work which this and other organizations of like character are endeavoring to accomplish the material advancement of our Race group to make them the most effective and helpful agencies for good ever attempted by Negroes.

Without the active hearty co-operation of all those who make up an organization, the efforts of the men who are to give direction will avail nothing.

The maxium "Many hands make light work" applies to the work and mission of all these organizations among us. This end can only be attained through co-operative efforts, "All for each and each for all."

Thousands of our Race group in this country today are only a little removed from the condition in which slavry left them. Their progress along, certainly has been by slow stages. They like cohesive power because they lack faith in the ability of the Race to rise by its own efforts to eminence and distinction in all that makes for real progress in the world. The desire to lead has overtaken too many Negroes who are only fitted to follow but who refuse to permit others to follow wherever this right to lead is questioned.

Until the mass of Negroes have learned the use and benefits of organization as a means to an end, they will ever be a divided and impatient factor in all the relations which should join them to other elements of the Citizenship, and when they discover that all other races in this country are united against them, in one way or another, they will possibly be just as blind, apathetic, and indifferent to their interest, and welfare as they seem to be now.

I see but one way out of the Wilderness of doubt and fear through which we are now groping, and that is to concentrate our energies, intellects and dollars by recruiting the masses into an organization such as the Holbrook Benevolent Association for reformatory and remedial work.

In this we must "Hand together or hand separately." There are several kinds of Negroes in this country whose Idiosyncracies retard the progross of the race. One is the ignorant, envious, jealous Negro who hates to see other Negroes prosper, and who never hesitates to knock a successful man with an evil word, a malicious insinuation or a significant sneer. The second is the Negro who has been to school and was picked before he was ripe. He assumes to know everything to understand everything, and be wiser than seven wise men. He is a great critic and wastes considerable energy and time sitting in barber shops, restaurants and other public places trying to pick flaws in the character, or work of Negroes who are endeavoring to vendicate their color and prove their capacity for good work by doing it. Then there is the earnest, loyal manly Negro who realizes the fact that the Negro race has a mission in the concentration of energy along all lines which make for human progress. It is the indiction of long standing prediction that the Negro is destined to a conspicious future. What he needs is opportunity for his wings. He carries with him everywhere the largest germs of the artistic in poetry and eloquence. It is now a well established fact, that he can do big things in the business or commercial world. This fact has been well demonstrated through the great work done along business lines by the Holbrook Benevolent Association. Among the organizations of the race, the Holbrook Benevolent Association ranks in the first class. It has gone forward against every odd with such fast speed that its strongest opposers are now compelled to concede to its great success.

Its thousands of members and followers seem united in their efforts to make this the biggest fraternal organization of color in the world.

Flowers are many when men of note die. But the sweetest and most lasting flower given one is while he lives and not after he is dead. They can, while alive, inhale the fragrance and enjoy the beauty of the flowers. So much has been done by the two giants that head this organization, that words fall short when we try to speak a word of praise for them. Revs. E. F. and R. L. Young have wrought well. They stand out today as the most potent characters in the business world. We do thank the Lord for the two great men Revs. E. F. and R. L. Young, may they live long to carry on this great work.

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Cora Hooker No. 362, Wesson,
Innie Hooks No. 116, Mt. Olive,
J. D. Delk No. 77, Ellisville,
Emma L. Taylor No. 95, Langsdale,
German Williams No. 57, Bassfield,
Emma Woodards No. 303, Shubuta,
Arther Williams No. 322, Hickory,
Hannah May No. 27, Meridian,
Mattie Rodgers No. 92, Laurel,
Leaner Jones No. 212, Mt. Olive,
Will Posey No. 422, Laurel,
Mattie Jefferson No. 242, Pachuta,
Sallie Shelby No. 131, Soso,
Hannah Quinn No. 381, Macon,
Mammie Lewis No. 67, Meridian,
Ida Marshall No. 160, Prentiss,
Will Owner No. 389, Macon,
Ned Newell No. 76, Laurel,
Elbert Crawford No. 58, Ellisville,
Margrett Williams No. 394, Macon,
Bob Mosley No. 30, Lauderdale,
Annie Walker No. 153, Desota,
M. T. Houston No. 113, Dekalb,
John McIntosh No. 102, Hattiesberg,
Sam Harthron, No, 57, Bassfield,
Mahalia Ward No. 70, Complete,
Nancy Roberts, No. 375, McLain
Sam Ownes No. 394, Macon,
C. C. Williams No. 266, Brooklyn,
Frank Hooker No. 277, Brookhaven,
Bertha McGee, No. 252, Rose Hill,
Henretta Johnson No. 33, Meridian,

The September Boards will meet at the following places, on the following dates:-

Pinola, Miss. Tues. September 15th.
Collins, Miss., Wednesday Sept. 16th
Desota, Miss., Thursday Sept. 17th
Lauderdale, Miss., Friday Sept. 18th
Dekalb, Miss., Tuesday Sept. 22nd
Forest, Miss., Wednesday Sept. 23rd
Cliftonville, Miss., Friday Sept. 25th
Richton, Miss., Tuesday Sept. 29th
State Line, Miss., Wednesday September 30th.

DESOTA

Dear Editor:- How are you this morning? I am feeling fine and trust the same can be said about you. Say Listen! I wish to express to the whole Association my appreciation for the confidence they had in me to the extent that they elected me as Chaplain for this great body. I shall endeavor not to make you ashame of my service and you will always find me smiling. I shall be around to visit your lodges. I am praying that this Association will grow in order that the state of Miss., will not only see it's good, but all the states in the union will see it. I wish to thank you once I wish to thank you twice for your support.

Rev. H. Ray,
Box 12,
Desota, Mississippi

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Dear Editor:- This comes to let you and all of those attending the Board at Pinola, Miss.,- know that the Board will convene in Dry Ridge Church, seven miles South East of Pinola and twelve miles west of Magee, on the gravel road running from Magee to shivers, six miles East of Shivers.

S. L. Walker, Pres.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Dear Editor:- The September Board will convene at Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, one mile South of State Line, Miss. Keep highway No. 45. Gravel road until you get in State Line and take No. 45, turn to the left, but Keep straight one mile. D. T. will be there to direct you.

Edward Burley, President No. 355.
Box 205, State Line, Miss.

Dear Editor: To those expecting to attend the Board that is to be held with lodge No. 31 September 18th, are requested to come to Lauderdale, turn east and come one and one half mile, then turn to the left and come two miles; turn to the right and keep to the right until you get one half mile from Elizabeth M. E. Church. Take a sharp curve to the left. The church is seven miles east of Lauderdale. The road is good, part dirt and part gravel.

Post Office Lauderdale, Miss.
Mrs. V. T. Thornton, President.

PRESIDENT C. A. NEELY HOLDS HIS OWN

It is very gratifying to know that though some of the local Presidents are criticized at times by their friends that said Local Presidents are keeping a cool head and hold their own with the people. President Neely of lodge No. 113, Dekalb, Miss., has been able to make the best all round reports of any President, who was being criticized. I do not think that those who criticized Mr. Neely meant him any particular harm. I rather think however it was constructive criticism. There might have been some weakness on the part of brother Neely that caused some criticism. However, I feel that we are safe in saying Neely is making one of the best presidents in the Association. We truly hope that he will not let his friends fall by doing anything that will bring a discredit on him or his lodge. Go to it Neely, we believe you can do the work. Secretary.

MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: The members of the H. B. A. lodge No. 9 are moving along and doing nicely in our work, but sorry to say that death visited the home of one of our H. B. A. members, in the person of brother Sidney Irby, and called him from labor to reward. Brother Irby was a faithful member of the church and his local lodge. He was loved by all who knew him, both colored and white. He was a member of Shilo Baptist church and also a deacon and trustee of the McShann school for six years. He was a member of the H. B. A. in good and regular standing; He is dead but not forgotten. Those who spoke at the funeral of the deceased were brother Borders, N. L. Shannon and others. Solos were rendered by Misses Hopkins and L. B. Davis. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, two daughters, three sons and four grandchildren, one sister. A precious one from us has parted, a voice we loved is still, a place is vacant in our lodge that never can be filled.

D. B. Borders, President.

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Thompson has been President since the lodge was organized by Rev. E. B. Blackman. Thompson has reported from 50 to 98 members. Henry Edwards hails from Meridian, Miss. H. Edwards holds the distinction of having had the largest number of members in his Local Lodge of any President in the State. Before the "Split" came and the C. B. A.s were organized, he at one time had 196 members. Jim Chappel, a few miles east of Meridian, is one of the founders of the H. B. A. with a good lodge from 40 to 60 members. W. J. Rankins the War horse from Magee, Miss., a local Agent and President of two local lodges that ranged from 100 to 130 members. Floyd Ott of Toomsuba, Miss., a strong personality, has been president of lodge No. 21 since its organization, has always reported between 30 and 50 members. J. H. Drakeford of Stonewall, Miss., tall and slender, has not much to say, but he has a large membership of about 50 to 60. D. L. Harris of Waynesboro, Miss., the "Black Horse" pawing in the valley, who reports about $140.00 every quarter. A. Evans of Waynesboro, Miss., the "Big Fat Mule" that will not wear a bridle, just walking around single with a couple of hundred dollars in his Local Treasure has always made big reports. I. English of Meridian, Miss., of lodge No. 69, the second largest lodge in the City has been president ever since his lodge was organized. He is a "True Blue" he is dependable. R. W. Radcliff, "Slow But Shore," president of lodge No. 3, has been for years. He is not easily shaken by the winds. The above is the kind of material that made up the Nominating Committee.

WORK OF THIS COMMITTEE

On the return of the Nominating Committee to the auditorium, all delegates and friends were eager to see and hear. The Rev. P. F. Howze was called to the chair, and, may I say just here, that old "Patt" knows what to do with "Aunt Hager's Children." The Committee nominated the following Officers for the ensuing four years. Rev. E. F. Young, General President, E. F. Young Jr., Vice President, Prof. A. T. Shadwick for Vice President, W. C. McLeod, Vice President, R. L. Young, General Secretaay, I. M. Martin, Treas., Rev. M. S. Knott and H. Ray Chaplain. No one advocating for the offices of the President, Secretary and Treas., a motion prevailed to suspend the rules of electing Officers and elect these three by acclamation. The Revs. E. F. and R. L. Young and I. Martin received a unanimous vote for reelection. Rev. H. Ray received [illegible] of the votes for the office of [illegible], he received [illegible] 12 votes more than Rev. Knott, he was therefore declared Chaplain for the next four years.

FRIENDLY RIVALRY

There seemed to have been a friendly rivalry for the office of Vice President. There were about six candidates in the field, however, the Committee in its judgement, thought that it was not necessary to Nominate but three of the six, and we believe that the nomination met the approval of 98 per cent of the delegates. In the first place, what about Prof. Shadwick, who had carried out the unexpired term of the Rev. I. C. Harper? Our answer is Shadwick is alright, he had given one year of good service to the Association, without a single hitch, or any criticism. The only handicap with Prof Shadwick was in his speech, other than that he had proved himself to be honest and trust-worthy. Shadwick was not reelected to this office, not because of any harm that he had done, he is a smart young man, full of energy, with a growing local lodge, a splendid young family, and, a man whose morals have never been questioned so far as I know. The Association could move forward with Shadwick as Vice President, and, some day Shadwick may still hold some position in this order. What about W. C. McLeod? W. C. McLeod is another worthy character, a man with a vision, a man who sees far in advance of his people, a man who is a number of years ahead of his race in general when it comes to thought, a man who has had the second largest lodge in the Association. A man who reports from $140.00 to $150.00 each quarter. A man whom the people of his community believe in, a man who stands high with the white people of his community. A man worthy of running for this office. I venture the assertion that some day the Association may lay hands on W. C. McLeod, harness him up and tell him to pull. What about E. F. Young Jr.? This is another worthy character, a young man full of pep and energy, a young man with the leading lodge in the City of Meridian, and, an Agent for the Association. A young man whom we believe will make good. The three mentioned above were nominated by the Committee, but a little contention arose, and, some thought that the people wanted at least one other added to the list, after some discussion, the Rev. G. C. Wells was nominated. Rev. Wells is a good man, a good preacher and is well thought of, but it seemed to have been the opinion of the voters that had not proven himself as was desired or it at least seemed so with the Nominating Committee, in other words the people seem to feel that if men are to run for these responsible positions they need to do some real dependable work for the Association. Rev. Wells is one of our splendid Local Presidents with a lodge at Sumrall, Miss., composed of about 7 or 8 members. When the votes were counted, W. C. McLeod had 7, Rev. G. C. Wells 12, Prof A. T Shadwick 45, E. F. Young Jr., 115, Rev. M. S. Knott 82, Rev. H. Ray 94. As we have stated above any one of the three men nominated by the Committee would have made good Vice Presidents, but the Committee and the people seemed to have felt that since it was necessary to train a man for this position and since the General President had given 22 years of hard labor for this concern, and, since one of his sons in the person of R. L. Young, the General Secretary had given such satisfactory service, that it would be wise to try out another. The Office of the Vice President has given more trouble than any other office of the General Body. It seems to be that the Association must split its membership or its money; and, for that reason among many other reasons, the voters decided to safeguard this institution. A great responsibility rests upon us as Officers now, more so than ever before, but if God will be our helper, we promise you friends that we will save the day. I wish to take this method in thanking the voters for the confidence that you have in me to the extent that I received every vote in the convention. I promise you the best there is in me.

R. L. Young,
General Secretary.

ECHO AND PUBLICATION FEE

All local Presidents are requested to collect $2.00 from your local lodge, Echo and Publication fee, and, report same in the next Board. Please bear in mind that your report can not be accepted unless you report the $2.00. This pays for the publication of all your reports through the Echo and your subscription for 12 months, from September 1931 to September 1932.

BOARD COLLECTION

All Presidents are requested to collect $1.40 per member death claims, quarterly dues, etc., for the September Board. Secretary.

NOTICE

If you fail to get your Echo, please notify the office and we will kindly send the ones that you failed to receive.

R. L. Y.

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PROF. T. J. HARRIS ANNOUNCES OPENING OF CITY SCHOOLS

City Schools Open Monday Sept. 7th

The Meridian public schools will begin the 1931-32 session Monday Morning, September 7. Prof. T. J. Harris principal of the Wechsler high school states that every thing is in readiness for the opening, and that there will be but few changes in the faculty for this school year.

School Books

On account of present financial conditions and the period of depression prevailing at this time there will be no change in text books this session. This will enable parents to hand down books of children promoted to higher grades or to secure used books at small cost.

Schedule For Opening

Thursday morning, September 3, at 9:00 o'clock all high school pupils will report to Wechsler for book list, and to schedule. Examinations will also be held at this time. 3:00 p. m. general faculty meeting; Friday all teachers and children will report to respective schools.

All pupils who are not residents of Meridian or the Meridian separate school district are required to pay a tuition of $1.00 per month in advance

Faculty

Wechsler: Misses S. A. Davis, Virginia Rhone, Naomi Ruth Sims, Birdie Mae Daniels, Annie Paterson, Wilhelmenia Gore, Romelda Robinson, Mattie L. Harkum, Beatrice Sims, Mabel Sherman, Pearl A. Varnado, Dorothy H. Harris, Zee Alfin Anderson, Sara Ingersoll, Bessie Trotter, Lydia E. Carr, Professors T. R. Smith, T. J. Fagen, W. A. Reed, Jr., T. R. German, and T. J. Harris.

East End: Misses Emma B. Ivy, Esther D. Thornton, Mary E. Love, Nettie Wobbington, Fanny Dawson, Annie Curry, and Laura Harris.

West End: Misses Hatie Nelson, Mildred Gaines, Lorena Sherrod, Bessie Brown, and Prof. E. L. Williams.

South Side: Misses Lillie Emerson, Cozy Stennis, Ethel Humphrey, and Lucile Barrett.

Part Time Classes

The Wechsler high school will offer the following courses in afternoon and evening classes for the benefit of adults; Practical Nursing and Midwifery, Home Economics, Domestic Art, Short Hand and Typewriting, and Shop Mathematics for tradesmen. Persons interested in any of these courses are requested to confer with Principal T. J. Harris who will be found in his office every day until the opening of school.

Colored Boy Scouts Enjoy Camp

Through the untiring efforts of Prof. T. J. Harris president of the colored Boy Scout counsil, a camp of three days duration was provided for the Boy Scouts of Meridian, the only town in Mississippi with organized troops for colored boys.

The camp site was near Rogers creek ten miles north of Meridian on the Stennis place and offered wonderful advantages for recreation and scout activities. The camp was under the direct supervision of Dr. W. B. Block with Messrs. V. L. Holton and Alfred Drone assistants.

Prof. Harris was camp director and had things well in hand, the discipline and morale of the camp reflected much credit on those in charge.

The scouts were divided into four patrols and after organizing reported as follows: "The Tigers", "The Lions", "The Black Snakes", and "The Black Hawks". These patrols worked in perfect harmony displaying a fine spirit of team work and entered the various games and contests directed by scout Drone with a determination to win.

Some of the outstanding features of the camp activities were; Target practice, Rope Making, Treasure Hunt, and Games directed by Scout Chief H. E. Bonds, and Scout Drone; Fishing by Homer Dunn; Swimming by Scout T. J. Harris; Camp life by Scout W. B. Block.

Scout Harris had charge of Nature study and advance work.

The camp officials and scouts are deeply grateful for the many courtesies extended them and wish to express through "The Echo" their appreciation to all who helped to make the camp a success.

The council will meet at the office of Drs. Block and Blackwell Friday Evening, August 28, at 7:30 reports will be made and plans considered for the 1932 camp. All members are urged to be present.

ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be a Dream and Sleep Program rendered at the New Hope Baptist Church Sunday night, the 30th, at 8 o'clock. The program will be of a very high grade, featured by a debate and musical numbers.

The subject of the debate is: "Resolved, That the Dreamer Has Accomplished More Than the Doer".

The Affirmative speakers are Profs. J. J. Smith and D. V. Johnson, and the Negative speakers are Messrs A. J. Cranford and C. T. Tiggs.

A Scientific observantion of the moon will be made by Rev. W. G. Wilson. The musical numbers will be selections dedicated to the moon in her natural beauty, by the following persons: Messrs W. E. Walker, John Petus, and Miss Alma L. Reese; Miss Myrtle Ricks, will give a Reading, entitled: "The Moon".

The Church auditorium will be so decorated as to present the appearance of the moonlit sky, of dremy significance.

"The cause of Insomnia and Importance of sleep", will be briefly discussed by Dr. R. B. Mathews.

Admission Free, but a SILVER OFFERING will be expected. It is to be remembered that the silver coin begins with a DIME.

Mrs. W. G. Wilson, Sponsoress.

THE ETERNAL NOW

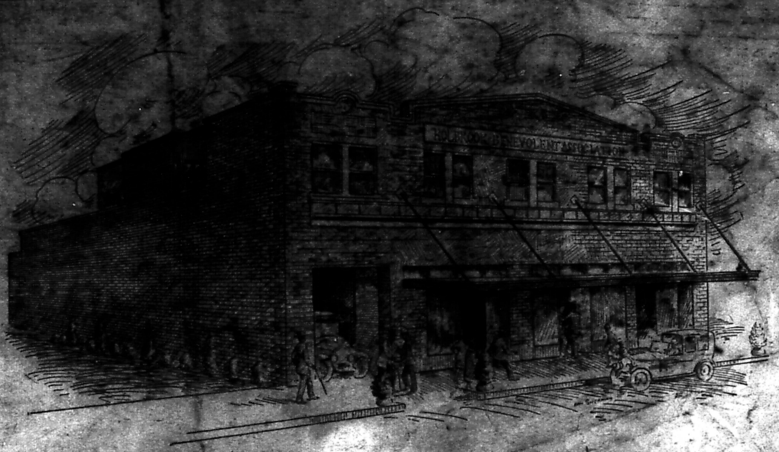
The yesteryears are no more. The glory of them stands to the everlasting credit of those who lived in them. We are what we are today, because yesterday was. The Future is before us, and we never reach it. It is a concept and a percept as well, which serves to spur one on to noble attainments and accomplishments.

What then of the Present? It is all that we have. Live in it. If you have planned great things during the course of your life; there is no beter time than NOW, to begin them. Why wait until times get better? The time that IS, is the best time for you, no matter what its conditions may be. It is your time to do what you have in mind to do, while you live.

Some man says, "that if times ever get any better, that I will do so-and-so." Is there no way to begin doing that thing, Now? If it be worthy, does it not occur to you ,that since life is so fleeting, and uncertain in this electric and machine age, that your worthy thoughts should have expression NOW? All our noble ambitions should have expression Now, regardless to the conditions under which we live. If you plan to have a bank account some day, Now, is the time to make it. Can you make it tomorrow? Then stop complaining, and begin NOW, the great things that you plan during your life.

The birth of this great Negro weekly paper in these critical times, is one of the greatest events of negro history. We have no other time in which to work. Now, Now . . .

REV. W. G. WILSON,
Pastor New Hope Baptist Ch.



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FORWARD MOVEMENT

It is a very good sign of the upward and onward movement of any people when we can find evidence of doing for themselves the things necessary to be done. No race can expect much who looks to some other to supply their wants. They are contented with the remnants some one leaves. They are not looking for much and couldn't nor would appreciate it if some one supplied all their wants. There is not much progress in anyone satisfied with his condition. But to improve our condition we must work for the things we need. We should learn team work; work together for the good of the neighborhood. The motto of the four horsemen should be our motto. "One for all and all for one."

So much can be done by working together. A good way we can show this is by making this paper what it should be. We are thankful for favors extended by other papers, but we need one of our own, and let every Negro do his part until the paper is in every Negro house in East Mississippi.

PROF. G. M. REECE,
Principal Baptist Seminary.

UNEMPLOYMENT

The unemployment situation, the low price of cotton and the great depression that now exist is of much concern to me. As we walk the streets of this city and travel the rural sections, while some of us seem to be doing fairly well, or we at least have something to eat and a comfortable place to sleep, there are people who are in dire need for food and clothing. If such conditions exist during this season of the year when God is furnishing heat to keep us warm and almost an over production of fruits etc., what will be the outcome during the cold seasons of the year? It occurs to my mind that those of us who possibly can, should make haste to remedy these conditions. There has been a plenty of fruits, melons, and vegetables etc., and there seems to be a plenty on hand at present. It would be a wise idea for all of the people in the rurals, and in the city as well, to preserve all of the fruits, vegetables, etc. possible.

ded for a period of more than three

What are the poor people going to do this fall and winter, people who do not have jobs and cannot obtain jobs? It is going to be up to those of us, who may have a little something, to divide our means with them.

OFFICIAL VOTE FOR COUNTY OFFICERS

The County Officials elected in Tuesday's primary seem to be as follows: For State Senate, Weddell led Remley with more than 1,300 votes; Representative outside of city, Hand led Pigford with more than 300 votes; Seal led Gibson for County Attorney with more than 2,700 votes; for Sheriff, Stevenson led Mosby with more than 1,900 votes; Cameron led Holland for Chancery Clerk with 20 odd votes; Taylor led Rush for Circuit Clerk with more than 2.700 votes; Ellis led Riddell for Supt. of Education with more than 600 votes; Seymour led George for Supervisor of Beat 1 with more than 700; Bailey and Fuller win for Constables in Beat1; Hobgood won over Gunn for J. P. of Marion District with a majority of 3.

CENTURY LIFE BOOSTERS CLUB

The Boosters Club of the Century Life Insurance Company inspired by the leadership of Mr. F. A. Young, Agency Director, which is composed of all of the Representatives in the state of Mississippi; and the actively loyal members of the Company, who are anxious to see their Company take its place in the hearts of every citizen of this wonderful state is swinging into an active campaign. All indications point to a successful volume of business, placed on the books of the Company.

The Company has had a very happy experience in realizing that there were so many loyal members who were willing and ready to lend their influence and ability to their respective agents in an effort to not only boost Century Life, but win one of the magnificent prizes that will be awarded to the member who demonstrates the greatest amount of influence in behalf of their Company. The beloved Mrs. D. Harris, wife of Prof. T. J. Harris, was unanimously elected president of the Booster Club for the state of Mississippi. Everyone seems highly elated over the leadership of Mrs. Harris and is determined to assist her in putting over her program. The agents of the Meridian District are striving to meet prosperity half way by increasing their efforts; and striving to place a Century Life policy on the life of every person in their territory. The sound thinking people of all races realize that life insurance is the best investment offered to the public. It has proven its soundness by delivering the goods in time of need. If you are interested in the welfare of those that are near and dear to you, you will not stop until you have called one of the Century Life's agents in to discuss one of its many attractive policies. The ten active and energetic agents who are a substantial part of the District will gladly serve you. "THE CENTURY SERVES WHEN YOU NEED SERVICE MOST."

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"The Straight and Narrow Way to Heaven," a religious play, was presented Tuesday August 25th at 8:00 P. M. at the 31st Avenue Baptist Church. All characters were well represented and acted equally. Those having leading roles were. Mr. Henry Dunkins, acting the part of the Devil and Mrs. Addie Blackell, acting the part of the King, which it is said corresponded.

The play was witnessed by 20 or more white friends, which according to their facial expression, displayed them as being well satisfied with its presentation.

Mrs. O. U. Bishop, President of the B. Y. P. U. is bubbling over with smiles, because of a recent financial success, the total being $13.00

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LOCAL DEATHS

The number of deaths occuring in this city this week is reported not to exceed eight. This comes from an authoritative source.

The Barber Business is holding its own, according to Mr. J. V. Price, prominent and popular barber of the Young's Barber Shop.

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STORK VISITS

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Young, Jr., 1509-28th Avenue, were blessed with the recent visit Thursday between 6:30 and 6:45 P. M., of the stork, our friend. At which time he left a package containing a boy that is believed to top the scales at 8 or more pounds. Mrs. Young and son are at home and doing nicely.

Miss Tereasa Brown motored from the city yesterday evening for Birmingham after having visited her aunt, Mrs. Mary Brown, which exten- weeks. Miss Brown's collection of friends was large. We are sure Meridian regreted her departure very much.

As pastor of St. James A. M. E. Church, just a moment of your time and a measure of your interest, I am asking for this message.

"I am among you as He that serveth, coming "Not to be ministered unto, but to minister."

It is my desire to render every possible service of comfort, of good cheer and of genuine helpfulness to everyone who will accept such service. I am at the command of any need, day or night, and shall count it a favor from you to call me, either for yourself or for another, if you feel that my visit and prayers would be of benefit.

St. James and its constituencies wish to congratulate the editor, business manager and the official staff of the Weekly Echo for this, the beginning of a Weekly Negro News Paper in your city. St. JamJes is with you one hnudred per cent.

Sincerely yours,
W. H. H. MURRELL, Pastor.

According to Mr. Earl Richardson, president of the Magnolia Checker's Club, Inc., a place of recreation is located at 2507½ 5th Street. The Club has been in operation since an early date.

BUSINESS NEWS

Mr. Richard Sinmon of the Simon's Cafe raports an increase in business. "The fact that extensive traveling being done, is responsible for such a tremendous increase", states Mr. Simon. This shows that times are not as hard as the appearance.

Other Cafe establishments report enough business to continue operation, but state that business generally speaking, is on a downward trend.

Conner Swept Into Office

Mike S. Conner of Seminary, Mississippi, who has been in the race for governor for three consecutive times was elected governor of Mississippi in Tuesday's primary. Since the first primary, there has been a hard and bitter fight between Conner and White for this office. Tuesday's vote shows that Conner won over Hugh L. White of Columbia, Mississippi with a majority of more than 25,000 votes. Mr. White and his campaign manager, Eugene Fly, have sent congratulations to Mr. Conner for his victory. Mr. White pledges his unstinted support for the next four years. The bitter campaign is now over and it is generally conceded that all loyal Mississippians will forget the past and will fall in line with a willing mind to help better conditions.

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PROF. T. J. HARRIS ANNOUNCES OPENING OF CITY SCHOOLS

City Schools Open Monday Sept. 7th

The Meridian public schools will begin the 1931-32 session Monday Morning, September 7. Prof. T. J. Harris principal of the Wechsler high school states that every thing is in readiness for the opening, and that there will be but few changes in the faculty for this school year.

School Books

On account of present financial conditions and the period of depression prevailing at this time there will be no change in text books this session. This will enable parents to hand down books of children promoted to higher grades or to secure used books at small cost.

Schedule For Opening

Thursday morning, September 3, at 9:00 o'clock all high school pupils will report to Wechsler for book list, and to schedule. Examinations will also be held at this time. 3:00 p. m. general faculty meeting; Friday all teachers and children will report to respective schools.

All pupils who are not residents of Meridian or the Meridian separate school district are required to pay a tuition of $1.00 per month in advance.

Faculty

Wechsler: Misses S. A. Davis, Virginia Rhone, Naomi Ruth Sims, Birdie Mae Daniels, Annie Paterson, Wilhelmenia Gore, Romeida Robinson, Mattie L. Harkum, Beatrice Sims, Mabel Sherman, Pearl A. Varnado, Dorothy H. Harris, [illegible] Alfin Anderson, Sara Ingersoll, Bessie Trotter, Lydia E. Carr, Professors T. R. Smith, T. J. Fagen, W. A. Reed, Jr., T. R. German, and T. J. Harris.

East End: Misses Emma B. Ivy, Esther D. [illegible], Mary E. Love, Nettie [illegible], [illegible] Dawson, Annie Curry, and Laura Harris.

West End: Misses Hattie Nelson, Mildred Gaines, Lorena [illegible], Bessie Brown, and Prof. [illegible] Williams.

South Side: Misses [illegible] Emerson, Cozy Stennis, [illegible] Humphrey, and Lucile Barrett.

Part Time Classes

The Wechsler high school will offer the following courses in afternoon and evening classes for the benefit of adults; Practical Nursing and Midwifery, Home Economics, Domestic Art, Short Hand and Typewriting, and Shop Mathematics for tradesmen. Persons interested in any of these courses are requested to confer with Principal T. J. Harris who will be found in his office every day until the opening of school.

Colored Boy Scouts Enjoy Camp

Through the untiring efforts of Prof. T. J. Harris president of the colored Boy Scout counsil, a camp of three days duration was provided for the Boy Scouts of Meridian, the only town in Mississippi with organized troops for colored boys.

The camp site was near Rogers creek ten miles north of Meridian on the Stennis place and offered wonderful advantages for recreation and scout activities. The camp was under the direct supervision of Dr. W. B. Block with Messrs. V. L. Holton and Alfred Drone assistants.

Prof. Harris was camp director and had things well in hand, the discipline and morale of the camp reflected much credit on those in charge.

The scouts were divided into four patrols and after organizing reported as follows: "The Tigers", "The Lions", "The Black Snakes", and "The Black Hawks". These patrols worked in perfect harmony displaying a fine spirit of team work and entered the various games and contests directed by scout Drone with a determination to win.

Some of the outstanding features of the camp activities were; Target practice, Rope Making, Treasure Hunt, and Games directed by Scout Chief H. E. Bonds, and Scout Drone; Fishing by Homer Dunn; Swimming by Scout T. J. Harris; Camp life by Scout W. B. Block.

Scout Harris had charge of Nature study and advance work.

The camp officials and scouts are deeply grateful for the many courtesies extended them and wish to express through "The Echo" their appreciation to all who helped to make the camp a success.

The council will meet at the office of Drs. Block and Blackwell Friday Evening, August 28, at 7:30 reports will be made and plans considered for the 1932 camp. All members are urged to be present.

ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be a Dream and Sleep Program rendered at the New Hope Baptist Church Sunday night, the 30th, at 8 o'clock. The program will be of a very high grade, featured by a debate and musical numbers.

The subject of the debate is "Resolved, That the Dreamer Has Accomplished More Than the Doer".

The Affirmative speakers are Profs. J. J. Smith and D. V. Johnson, and the Negative speakers are Messrs A. J. Cranford and C. T. Tiggs.

A Scientific observantion of the moon will be made by Rev. W. G. Wilson. The musical numbers will be selections dedicated to the moon in her natural beauty, by the following persons: Messrs W. E. Walker, John Petus, and Miss Alma L. Reese; Miss Myrtle Ricks, will give a Reading, entitled "The Moon".

The Church auditorium will be so decorated as to present the appearance of the moonlit sky, of dremy significance.

"The cause of Insomnia and Importance of sleep", will be briefly discussed by Dr. R. B. Mathews.

Admission Free, but a SILVER OFFERING will be expected. It is to be remembered that the silver coin begins with a DIME.

Mrs. W. G. Wilson, Sponsoress.

THE ETERNAL NOW

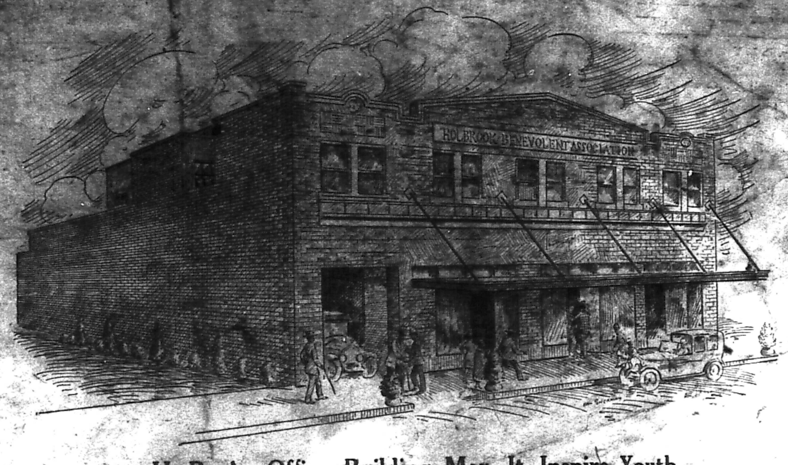
The yesteryears are no more. The glory of them stands to the everlasting credit of those who lived in them. We are what we are today, because yesterday was. The Future is before us, and we never reach it. It is a concept and a percept as well, which serves to spur one on to noble attainments and accomplishments.

What then of the Present? It is all that we have. Live in it. If you have planned great things during the course of your life; there is no beter time than NOW, to begin them. Why wait until times get better? The time that IS, is the best time for you, no matter what its conditions may be. It is your time to do what you have in mind to do, while you live.

Some man says, "that if times ever get any better, that I will do so-and-so." Is there no way to begin doing that thing, Now? If it be worthy, does it not occur to you that since life is so fleeting, and uncertain in this electric and machine age, that your worthy thoughts should have expression NOW? All our noble ambitions should have expression Now, regardless to the conditions under which we live. If you plan to have a bank account some day, Now, is the time to make it. Can you make it tomorrow? Then stop complaining, and begin NOW, the great things that you plan during your life.

The birth of this great Negro weekly paper in these critical times, is one of the greatest events of negro history. We have no other time in which to work. Now, Now . . .

REV. W. G. WILSON,
Pastor New Hope Baptist Ch.



H. B. A. Office Building, May It Inspire Youth.

FORWARD MOVEMENT

It is a very good sign of the upward and onward movement of any people when we can find evidence of doing for themselves the things necessary to be done. No race can expect much who looks to some other to supply their wants. They are contented with the remnants some one leaves. They are not looking for much and couldn't nor would appreciate it if some one supplied all their wants. There is not much progress in anyone satisfied with his condition. But to improve our condition we must work for the things we need. We should learn team work; work together for the good of the neighborhood. The motto of the four horsemen should be our motto. "One for all and all for one."

So much can be done by working together. A good way we can show this is by making this paper what it should be. We are thankful for favors extended by other papers, but we need, one of our own, and let every Negro do his part until the paper is in every Negro house in East Mississippi.

PROF. G. M. REECE,
Principal Baptist Seminary.

UNEMPLOYMENT

The unemployment situation, the low price of cotton and the great depression that now exist is of much concern to me. As we walk the streets of this city and travel the rural sections, while some of us seem to be doing fairly well, or we at least have something to eat and a comfortable place to sleep, there are people who are in dire need for food and clothing. If such conditions exist during this season of the year when God is furnishing heat to keep us warm and almost an over production of fruits etc., what will be the outcome during the cold seasons of the year? It occurs to my mind that those of us who possibly can, should make haste to remedy these conditions. There has been a plenty of fruits, melons, and vegetables etc., and there seems to be a plenty on hand at present. It would be a wise idea for all of the people in the rurals, and in the city as well, to preserve all of the fruits, vegetables, etc., possible.

What are the poor people going to do this fall and winter, people who do not have jobs and cannot obtain jobs? It is going to be up to those of us, who may have a little something, to divide our means with them.

OFFICIAL VOTE FOR COUNTY OFFICERS

The County Officials elected in Tuesday's primary seem to be as follows: For State Senate, Woddell led Remley with more than 1,300 votes; Representative outside of city, Hand led Pigford with more than 300 votes; Seal led Gibson for County Attorney with more than 2,700 votes; for Sheriff, Stevenson led Mosby with more than 1,900 votes; Cameron led Holland for Chancery Clerk with 20 odd votes; Taylor led Rush for Circuit Clerk with more than 2,700 votes; Ellis led Riddell for Supt. of Education with more than 600 votes; Seymour led George for Supervisor of Beat 1 with more than 700; Bailey and Fuller win for Constables in Beat1; Hobgood won over Gunn for J. P. of Marion District with a majority of 3.

CENTURY LIFE BOOSTERS CLUB

The Boosters Club of the Century Life Insurance Company inspired by the leadership of Mr. F. A. Young, Agency Director, which is composed of all of the Representatives in the state of Mississippi; and the actively loyal members of the Company, who are anxious to see their Company take its place in the hearts of every citizen of this wonderful state is swinging into an active campaign. All indications point to a successful volume of business, placed on the [illegible] of the Company.

The Company has had a very happy experience in realizing that there were so many loyal members who were willing and ready to lend their influence and ability to their respective agents in an effort to not only boost Century Life, but win one of the magnificent prizes that will be awarded to the member who demonstrates the greatest amount of influence in behalf of their Company. The beloved Mrs. D. Harris, wife of Prof. T. J. Harris, was unanimously elected president of the Booster Club for the state of Mississippi. Everyone seems highly elated over the leadership of Mrs. Harris and is determined to assist her in putting over her program. The agents of the Meridian District are striving to meet prosperity half way by increasing their efforts; and striving to place a Century Life policy on the life of every person in their territory. The sound thinking people of all races realize that life insurance is the best investment opened to the public. It has proven its soundness by delivering the goods in time of need. If you are interested in the welfare of those that are near and dear to you, you will not stop until you have called one of the Century Life's agents in to discuss one of its many attractive policies. The ten active and energetic agents who are a substantial part of the District will gladly serve you. "THE CENTURY SERVES WHEN YOU NEED SERVICE MOST."

Meridian Office is in H. B. A. Building 5th Street, Phone 2960, A. O. Lattimer, District Manager.

"The Straight and Narrow Way to Heaven," a religious play, was presented Tuesday August 25th at 8:00 P. M. at the 31st Avenue Baptist Church. All characters were well represented and acted equally. Those having leading roles were. Mr. Henry Dunkins, acting the part of the Devil and Mrs. Addie Blackwell, acting the part of the King, which it is said corresponded.

The play was witnessed by 20 or more white friends, which according to their facial expression, displayed them as being well satisfied with its presentation.

Mrs. O. U. Bishop, President of the B. Y. P. U. is bubbling over with smiles, because of a recent financial success, the total being $13.60

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LOCAL DEATHS

The [illegible] of deaths occurring in this city this week is reported not to exceed eight. This comes from an authoritative source.

The Barber Business is holding its own, according to Mr. J. V. Price, prominent and popular barber of the Young's Barber Shop.

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STORK VISITS

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Young, Jr., 1509-28th Avenue, were blessed with the recent visit Thursday between 6:30 and 6:45 P. M., of the stork, our friend. At which time he left a package containing a boy that is believed to top the scales at 8 or more pounds. Mrs. Young and son are at home and doing nicely.

Miss Tereasa Brown motored from the city yesterday evening for Birmingham after having visited her aunt, Mrs. Mary Brown, which extended for a period of more than three weeks. Miss Brown's collection of friends was large. We are sure Meridian regreted her departure very much.

As pastor of St. James A. M. E. Church, just a moment of your time and a measure of your interest, I am asking for this message.

"I am among you as He that serveth, coming "Not to be ministered unto, but to minister."

It is my desire to render every possible service of comfort, of good cheer and of genuine helpfulness to everyone who will accept such service. I am at the command of any need, day or night, and shall count it a favor from you to call me, either for yourself or for another, if you feel that my visit and prayers would be of benefit.

St. James and its constituencies wish to congratulate the editor, business manager and the official staff of the Weekly Echo for this, the beginning of a Weekly Negro News Paper in your city. St. James is with you one hnudred per cent.

Sincerely yours,
W. H. H. MURRELL, Pastor

According to Mr. Earl Richardson, president of the Magnolia Checker's Club, Inc., a place of recreation is located at [illegible] 5th Street. The Club has been in operation since an early date.

BUSINESS NEWS

Mr. Richard Simon [illegible] of the Simon's Cafe reports an increase in business. "The [illegible] tourists traveling [illegible] is responsible for such a [illegible] increase", states Mr. Simon. This shows that times are not [illegible] the appearance. [illegible] Cafe establishments report [illegible] business to continue [illegible], [illegible] that business generally speaking, is on a downward [illegible].

Conner Swept Into Office

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J. W. [illegible]

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Please tell us what causes our...
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With a converted woman or...
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MRS. MARY JACKMAN

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...some considerable time.

President John Benson of lodge No. 390 at Moselle, Mississippi, reports that Mrs. Julia Jackson died July 24th.

CRANDALL DOTS

Dear Editor:

I am sure the public will be glad to know that the members of lodge No. 125 are all smiling over the success made at the Convention, and to know that the "OLD RACCOON" Rev. C. L. [illegible]

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EDITORIAL

Good Morning Friends:

It is with delightful pleasure that we greet you with this, our initial issue of a weekly paper (The Weekly Echo). It has been our sincere desire for sometime to see a well edited weekly paper for our people of Mississippi, and Meridian in particular. We wish first of all to thank our many, many friends, both white and colored, for the splendid encouragement that has been given us. Our effort has the endorsement of some of the best people of Meridian We hope to bring to you wholesome news that all of us will delight in reading.

As we begin the Weekly Echo we are aware of the fact that we cannot please everybody and in the meantime we shall not undertake to please each individual, however, it is our hope and desire to be fair and square from every angle. This paper cannot successfully run without the support of our white and colored friends and we would not dare attempt to publish a paper without having the support of these two races.

We want it clearly understoond that this Weekly is not to be a "battling ground". It is not designed to create prejudice or hatred, but it is our desire to create a more wholesome atmosphere. It is our desire to bring about a better understanding not only between the two races, but a better understanding among ourselves as a race. A news paper can be a strong agency for good or for bad. We want the news that appear from time to time through this paper, to be news of encouragement, news of enlightenment, news that will help us in our daily task, news that wll improve our environment, news that will be welcomed by all good thinking people.

We ask the support and co-operation of all in this effort. Through the columns of this little paper, Meridian can be made a better place in which to live. If each individual will be willing to add his constructive bit, we will find ourselves in position not only to publish a four pape paper, but a six or eight page paper.

It is our desire through this medium to give employment to more of our young men, young women, boys and girls. We ask and solicit the support of the ministers of the city; the professional and business men of the city, as well as men and women who may be engaged in other occupations. For more than eight years we have published a little paper semi monthly known as the Echo. Having had the support of our friends, organization and the like, we are now able to enter into a bigger and broader field.

ROY L. YOUNG

Turnip Patch

It occurs to my mind that we should get together and plant 15 or 20 acres of turnips, irish potatoes and the like. In fact, whatever can be grown in this section ought to be palnted now, in order that we may be able to help the needy. Suppose some men who have land that is idle, that will not be used before next spring, will agree to give the use of an acre or two acres of that land free of charge in order that we may plant something that will produce food stuff for the needy. It ought to be an easy matter to find a dozen men who would give the use of one or two acres of ground for this purpose. Then, who not a number of men and women get together and buy turnip seed, irish potatoes, etc., by the sacks and the bushel and plant these seed, and when the cold days come these needy persons could be sent to these farmers or land owners where the turnips, potatoes, etc., are grown and get something to eat. Meat will, no doubt, be cheap another winter. Corn will be cheap no doubt, and this being true, a large number of persons could be fed at a low cost. We may as well begin now to do something, because something must be done. We must either feed these people from this angle, or we must furnish them produce out off our own meal barrel. I would also suggest that if the land can be secured, that a general meeting be called and all of the jobless and needy folks be invited, and these persons who now have nothing to do come out and help to prepare the ground; help to sow the seed in order that they, themselves may have something to eat next fall and winter.

It should be remembere dthat there are, and will be, people who will attempt to take the advantage of this method. They will not be willing to go out and do something themselves in order to live, but they will feel that it is our duty to take care of them while they sit around and do nothing. I am opposed to helping any man or woman who is not willing to help himself. However, there will be people who will be glad to do anything in order that they may help themselves and their family. We know that there is always a shiftless class of people. It matters not how good or bad things may be, beggers will be found on the streets. I have known men and women to refuse to work, because they could not get their prices. They would readily say, "I will beg before I will work for that small amount." I have no sympathy wth that kind of a person. I do sympathize however, with the man or woman, boy or girl, who is willing to work at any cost in order that he or she may live.

Friends, think upon these suggestions and if you feel that they are worth while lets put them into action. If you feel, however, that they are not worth while, offer some suggestion of your own and let us put your suggestion into action. The weekly Echo stands ready to do whatever it can. We feel that we have a lot of friends, both white and colored who will be willing to lend their support in this direction.

There is not a mind that can conceive. There is not an imagination that can depict. There is not a pen that can describe, neither is there a tongue that can tell the benefits and accomplishments, mentally, physically, socially, morally, and spiritually that may be derived from the Weekly Echo.

The New Era Church, through its pastor, wishes to express its appreciation by becoming a subscriber.

Mr. Eugene Wingate has been appointed to look after the agency of the Echo for the New Era Baptist Church.

Services First, Second, and Fourth Sundays.

We plan to complete our rally on the 5th Sunday. Preaching by the pastor Sunday and Sunday night

O. W. JONES, Pastor.
A. L. NOBLE, Secretary

TO THE WEEKLY ECHO

I am sure you are here to stay, since we have a large number of Colored people in this city to subscribe for it at once.

J. T. Davis.

Miss Lenora Young, daughter of the Rev. E. F. Young, has been out of the office ill for two days. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

My dear Rev. Young:

I hasten to add my heartest praise and sincere congratulation on your timely and wise adventure. Am sure the people of Meridian will appreciate the weekly Echo. Your paper will be a blessing to the race and should have the unstinted support of all our people.

Count on me and my people for anything that we may be able to do for its advancement.

Cordially,
REV. M. T. J. HOWARD,
Pastor St. Paul M. E. Church.

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Dear Editor:

To those who expect to attend the Board at Forest, Mississippi will come to the Baptist church on the North side of the Station. Good road any way you come.

REV. M. THOMAS,

Miss Mattie L. Larkin, stenographer and secretary of the General Secretary, of the Holbrook Benevolent Association, was out of the office last week spending her vacation. She returned to work Monday morning ready to go into the regular routine of business.

Mrs. E. F. Young, Sr., is now spending her vacation at Fannin, Mississippi, with her parents.

Dr. L. F. Brooks and family are now spending their vacation in Sedalia, Missouri. They are expected to travel extensively before returning to the city.

Mrs. Tenselee Emerson of Chicago, Illinois, is now visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Easter.

Mrs. Annie Smith and her four little boys, Masters Jerome, Carl, Willie Otha, and Luther O'Neal Smith, have just returned home from Tuskegee, where they spent a few days on the campus of Tuskegee.

HOUSE HOLD HINTS

By Mrs. Velma Beal Young

Now is the time to furnish the home with an ample supply of food for winter use. We may do this by keeping the preserving kettle boiling and the garden plot busy.

The following list of seeds may be planted now: Beans (all kinds) beets, carrots, cabbage, collards, lettuce, mustards, onions, english peas, radish, and turnips.

PRESERVING HINTS

Do not use over ripe or imperfect fruit for canning or preserving.

There is no economy in it.

Do not sprinkle sugar over the fruit and allow it to stand and draw out the juice, this will make most fruits lathery and it is only recommended in the making of conserves.

Have a syrup boiling when the fruit is added, then lower the heat and cook gently. Do not stir the fruit any more than necessary.

Over cooking is almost universal error.

Skim out the fruit before it is soft and thoroughly cooked, as the hot syrup poured over it after it is put into jars will complete the cooking.

After removing the fruit, boil the syrup for ten minutes before pouring over the fruit.

Small fruits retain their shape and color if sugared an hour before using.

The jars in which fruits or vegetables are canned should be thoroughly sterilized by heat and heated before filling.

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Miss Elsie D. Meadows, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Meadows of this city, will leave Sunday morning for Birmingham, Alabama, where she will visit her aunt, Mrs. Annie Johnson. Miss Meadows is one of our popular young ladies.

It has been reported to the office by president G. W. Quincy, local president of lodge No. 146 at Bay Springs, Mississippi, that he has lost one of his members, in the person of Mrs. Caroline Whitehead, who died August 20, 1931.

Miss A. E. Thomas, prominent socially, a graduate of Wechsler High School and of Jackson College, will leave the city Sunday, August 31st for Poplarville, Mississippi. She will serve in the capacity of assistant principal of the County Training School.

Miss Bertha Bradley and her band of jolly singers will broadcast over W. C. O. C. Monday evening between 8 and 9 o'clock.

Mr. James Redmond, 1807-31st Ave., left the city Thursday for the New England States, where he has planned to spend a month.

Miss Sarah Mosley brings to a close her very pleasant visit. She returns to her home at Lauderdale, Mississippi. Miss Mosley was the guest of Miss Bertha Hill of 1307 27th Avenue.

Dr. L. F. Brooks and family will return to the city about Sept. 1st, after having motored to Atlanta, Georgia, Tennessee, Missouri, Kansas, and Texas. The time required to complete the tour was about twenty five days, during which time Dr. Brooks and family visited at their old home, Sedalia, Missouri.

ENDORSEMENT BY [illegible] FRIENDS

Dear Young:

With reference to the Weekly Echo, a paper designed especially for the uplift of the Colored people, I think is a worthy adventure on your part. The paper can do great good, if properly managed and edited, and should have the co-operation of all.

BOLIVAR HYDE of the Hyde's Tire Stores, Inc.

Rev. R. L. Young, Editor Weekly Echo
Dear Young:

I know of nothing that would do more good among Colored people of Meridian and its vicinity than a well edited Negro News Paper.

J. B. REED, Vice President of the 1st National Bank.

COMPLIMENTS

To The Weekly Echo and those who take advantage of these Extra low Prices.

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Swift's Premium Mayonnaise Spread Half Pint Size	15c
8 lb. Pail Swift's Silverleaf Pure Lard	87c
No. 2 Cans "Templer" Brand English Peas	12 1-2c
Dry Salt Meat Best Grade Per lb.	10c
3 5c Bars Good Toilet Soap	10c
Niolon's Big "N" Pure Santos Coffee 1 lb.	22c
5 Boxes Regular 5c Salt for	10c
3 Boxes 5c Matches	9c
5 lbs. Sugar	25c
10 lbs. Lauderdale Belle Home Ground Meal	22c
1 lb. Swit's Woodlawn Bacon	15c
3 5c Boxes Macaroni or Spaghetti	10c
Tall Cans Chum Salmon	10c
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TO THEM

The H. B. A. News

EX-AGENT J. B. BRYANT SPEAKS

Dear Editor:

Please make room for me to speak for lodge No. 25 at Marion, Mississippi. We were glad to know that the recent Convention was one of the greatest Conventions in the history of the Holbrook Benevolent Association. Lodge No. 25 has grown from 25 members to 53, and it makes us feel that we helped to make this Association great. The president and members of the lodge have done good work, in order that our report should come up to the standard. We are doing more in order that we will make a bigger and better report in the September Board.

I have read the General Secretary's annual report, and, I think the report is a real credit to him and the Association. As I read the report of the Secretary's my thoughts went back to 15 years ago when I, J. B. Bryant, made a motion that Roy Young be elected General Secretary. I have presented a lot of men in my life for different offices and different things, but I have never been as proud of a man that I have presented, as I am of Roy Young for General Secretary. He refused the office, but after several speeches were made at Marion, Mississippi he finally accepted. I was one of the early agents, and I have labored with the General President for years; and I know that he is a man of honesty; true and loyal to his people; and I offered Roy Young because I thought that he would do the work, and today I speak of him because I know what he is. I think that the last Convention did the best thing that could have been done when it elected E. F. Young, Jr. General Vice President. Why do I say that? I say it because the Youngs are men that think more of their names than they do of the office that they hold. The H. B. A. has spread from Alabama almost to Louisiana. We have got a number of good men and able men, but there are no two men in the State of Mississippi who are doing the business that these two men are doing They have borne our burdens. When the Convention added Fred Young, Jr. to the cabinet we feel it added great stength. He is a young man full of energy. Those of us who have known the General President and Secretary know that they are experts. We want to ask Fred Young, Jr. to take the council and advice of the father and son. They know the way and he is to learn. It is not the office that makes the man, but the man who makes the office. The General President and General Secretary can tell you much more than you know, therefore, take their advice if you wish to get the confidence of the people as they have.

We cannot express now our happiness. We have more than 450 local presidents. It is light now where it use to be darkness. We want good leaders. With the General President and his cabinet, and I M. Martin, treasurer, the victory is ours. We pray for a continued success in the H. B. A. and a willingness on the part of our new Vice President to be a humble and yet, sincere leader. E. F. Young, Jr., you can make good. Let this office fill your heart and not your head.

WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor:

I want to let the many readers know that lodge No. 193 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Bro. Joe Chapman. Bro. Chapman departed this life August 3rd. He was in good and regular standing with both church and lodge. His funeral was attended by Rev. Perkins of Hattiesburg, Mississippi. By this being our president's brother, we got Mr. D. L. Harris to perform the ceremony. We know it is our lost, but we hope its heaven's gain.

R. C. CHAPMAN, Pres.
GEORGE EVANS, Sec'y.

LAUREL

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in the Echo to relate a story to my fellow presidents. We had a very sad accident to happen through our section a few days ago. One of our loving sisters in the person of sister Mamie Osan was rushed to the hospital Saturday morning about 1:30 o'clock, with three bullet wonds in her body. Saturday evening about 10 minutes of six she passed on, leaving a good report but failed to pay her convention assessment which was 50c. Friends—stop! look! and think! just by a close margin she missed $220.00, but let this be a lesson to us all, she missed it.

If we mean to be real H. B. A.'s we will have to keep up and pay up. To all members of the H. B. A. don't let it be sad to late to late.

HELEN COLLINS, Reporter
JIM COLLINS, Pres.

BASSFIELD

Dear Editor:

Give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that Lodge No. 63 has lost one of its members in the person of Bro. Louis Taylor. Bro. Taylor departed this life July 17th. He leaves a loving wife, five daugherts, five sons, a host of grandchildren relatives and friends to mourn his passing. The funeral was attended by Rev. W. S. Fortenberry. We pray that our lost is heaven's gain.

JOHNEY COLE, Pres.

PORTERVILLE

Dear Editor:

Let this appear in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 354 is getting along nicely. We have planned having our annual sermon the 5th Sunday in August, and have made choice of Rev. E. F. Young to preach the annual sermon. The children want to see their "dad", so come on and let them hear you preach. We have also made a choice of Rev. R. L. Young to accompany his father to out to lodge No. 254. If you all will come it will mean a lot to our community. We want to make our lodge one of the best lodges in the whole association. We have asked the following lodge to be with us: No. 96, F. L. Key, President; No. 235, James White, President and No. 64, John Gully, President Come one come all an dlet us put the program over.

J. E. GRACE, President,
A. B. GRANT, Secretary.

H. B. A. NEWS

President G. W. Quincy of Bay Springs, Mississippi, lodge No. 146, reports that he and his people are on the firing line and still adding members.

President Ed. Portis of lodge No. 4, Toomsuba, Mississippi, reports that Sister Annie Dunigeon died a few days ago in good standing with the H. B. A. Mrs. Dungeon left two daughters, a host of relatives, grandchildren and friends to morun her passing.

Mrs. V. T. Thornton of lodge No. 31, Lauderdale, Mississippi, reports that Brother A. Bell departed this life July 2nd. Brother Bell was chaplain of this lodge. He was ill for some considerable time.

President John Benson of lodge No. 390 at Mosselle, Mississippi, reports that Mrs. Julia Jackson died July 24th.

CRANDALL DOTS

Dear Editor:

I am sure the public will be glad to know that the members of lodge No. 123 are all smiling over the nice reports made at the Convention, and to know that the "OLD RACOOM", Rev. C. L. Pringle an acid test.

Church work here s alive, members are being added to the various churches. This means that the Revs. Jordan and Phillips are on their job. The Singing Choir led by Profs. Chris. Lenord, Joe S. Donald and E. D. Bosey have attracted the attention of our white friends, and they come in large crowds to these various services. A large crowd is expected the 5th Sunday in August, to witness the apples, peaches, mellons and well filled baskets that we expect to bring. The public is cordially invited to be present.

The Convention will be held at Mt. Nebron A. M. E. Church, Crandall, Mississippi the 5th Sunday in August.

BOOSTER

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 444 is getting along nicely. We have added thirteen members to our lodge since the June Board, this makes us a total of fifty-five members, and we are still striving to add dent Rev. L. Jenkins. We had our annual sermon the 4th Sunday and more. We have a wonderful president had a nice time, we also installed a loyal set of officers. May I say to the many readers that "when you're up you're up, and when you're down you're down, but when you're up against Collins lodge you're up side down.

REV. L. JENKINS, Pres.
L. M. WHITE, Sec'y.

Locals

PROGRESS

By Rev. J. W. Jackman

For the Colored people to progress, to make a race, first thing they must patronize their race and get in union with colored business, for the uplifting of the race and be loyal citizens to their countrymen and government. All of this go to make up true citizens of the race. All of the other races know when to speak, how and where to speak, and praise his God for God is his Friend.

Please tell us what causes our colored churches to die? We need to pray more and learn how to treat our fellowman; and keep the sabbath day holy and be truly converted.

With a converted woman or man the church and community have no trouble. I thank you for these few words.

MRS. MARY JACKMAN.

Miss Johnnie B. Mitchell of this city presents a concert Wednesday night at Bailey, Mississippi, which brings to a close her Summer School session. Miss Mitchell returns Thursday, where she will be welcomed by her many friends.

There was a party given by Mr. Benjamin Taylor 604 36th Avenue in honor of Misses Kate Floyd, Mary Paynes and Teresa Brown. This affair was very much atended and quite a few members of the popular Hawks Club were present.

The Lincoln Recreational Club is looking forward to a tennis tournment on Labor Day September 6th. It is expected that 25 or more persons will participate. The membership of this organization is near 50.

The Weschler Black Cats state champion of the grid iron have already begun practicing according to court T. R. Smith. An official practice is scheduled for the near future. The Black Cats won an envious distinction last year. Records show that they won 10 to their opponent 12.

There was only 1 game lost and that game was lost at Livingston. All letter men except Early Clay, end; H. E. Morgan, F. B.; Cornelius Brown, G; and Lemarcus Cocran, Reserved player will be with the squad. The team will be equipped with material enough to support an even stronger team than that of last year, with the coming of Walter Fagen who was out of the last games because of illness, according to W. E. Jones, captain.

Games have already been scheduled with Stillman College, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Eureka High, Hattiesburg; Lanier High, Jackson; and Tuscaloosa High, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

The Rust Singers appeared in concert at St. Paul M. E. Church, Monday evening August 24th. The audience was loud in its praise of the splendid program rendered.

Miss Kathryn Harris, the popular young daughter of Prof. and Mrs. Harris, is attending school in Oberlin, Ohio. She will remain for the fall and winter term. She is taking a business course.

Miss Ernistine Ray and Mr. Eugene Toole were married recently. Mrs. Toole is now visiting Mr. Toole's people in Enterprise.

Miss Dorothy H. Harris head of the commercial department of the Wechsler High School spent the summer studying in Oberlin, Ohio. While in the north she visited her brothers, Thos. Page, Macbeth, and Robert Harris in Akron and also visited friends and relatives in Cleveland, Ohio and Chicago, Ill. She is expected home to resume her school work.

REVIVALS A SUCCESS

According to a report from the Rev. J. T. Davis, he has just closed a very successful revival at Union, Kemper Springs. Seventeen Converts were added to the church and are to be baptized on the 1st Sunday in September. He has also closed a glorious meeting at Bethlehem, Allenville, Alabama, with twenty-eight converts added. They are to be baptized on the 2nd Sunday in September.

An automoblie belonging to Mr. Shoulder, Vice President of the Standard Oil Company, New Orleans, La., was in the city Tuesday.

The automobile is reported to have been 55 feet in length, including the trailer, which contained berths with lights properly placed to insure perfect comfort, should one desire to read after retiring.

The trailer was also equipped with a telephone, which was connected with the chauffeur's seat. A speedometer, a modern and sanitary ventilation and other modern automatic equipment. The party is enroute to Alexandria, La., having come here from Texas where they spent a week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Harper, former students of Haven Teachers College, were in the city and were guests of Mrs. Harper's aunt, Mrs. Sadie Jones, 1700-30th Avenue. Mrs. Missie Young was the charming hostess some few days ago of which Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harper were honorees. They are now employed by the Street School at Wimter, Alabama.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Lenoir and family, of Starksville, Mississippi, were in the city Tuesday, having motored here for a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilson are leaving the city to make their future home in Philadelphia, Mississippi, where Mr. Wilson is to be principal of one of the schools there in Philadelphia and Mrs. Wilson will be his assistant. We regret very much to learn of their departure.

According to a report of Mr. Jack Davis, their revival, which is now in session at Pilgrim M. E. Church, about four miles East of Meridian, and with J. A. William as pastor, is progressing nicely. The meeting is being conducted by the Rev. A. L. Bohanan of Dekalb, Mississippi. It is reported that they were successful in adding four members to the church on the first night of the meeting. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Vacation days will soon be over and the young people will be on their way to school again.

Quite a number of the recent graduates of the Wechsler High School are planning to attend college this session. Among those who hope to leave soon are Misses Inez Stevenson, to Talladega; Johnnie M. Jones, Alcorn; Ollie Mae Weston, Tougaloo; Dorthula Groce, Jackson College; Argurtha Brown, Rust College; Messrs. Eddie Tucker, Jackson; Elmer Kelly, Morehouse; Johnnie Porter, Jackson; Cornelius Brown, Alcorn; and Early Clay, Talladega.

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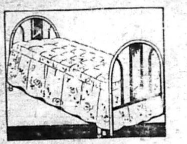

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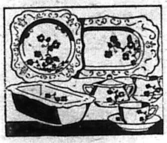

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CHURCH NEWS

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HAVEN CHAPEL M. E. CHURCH, GREETINGS

J. M. Shumbert, Pastor

Editor Echo,
City.
Dear Doctor Young:-

I have just heard of your new Weekly journal to commence this week. Please accept my hearty congratulation.

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It is the duty of every Colored man, and especially the pastors of all our churches in Meridian, to subscribe and pay their subscription and to stand by you in such a laudable effort which will be very helpful to our race.

Dear Rev. Young:

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P. H. HOUZE, Pastor.

Rev. R. L. Young,

Dear Sir:

I heartily congratulate you on the inauguration of a new enterprise, which I believe will fill a long felt need in our community. I refer to the proposed Weekly paper to be circulated for the first time Friday August 28th.

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T. B. HOSPITAL

Rev. Roy L. Young and Prof. T. J. Harris visited the inmates of the T. B. hospital a few days ago. Some of the patients are very sick and all seemed to have appreciated the service rendered. After a short talk by Rev. Young, he read a few scripture verses and Prof. Harris offered a fervent prayer for the sick. Rev. Young lead in singing "Don't let it be said too late too late" and the chorus was joined by the patients. One of the patient's voice had weakened to only a whisper. She was not able to sing, but she was seen bowing her head and hands.

Mrs. Jeaneta Knott, having had a very serious attack of acute appendicitis is improving nicely at the Meridian sanitarium, where she recently underwent an operation. Dr. Bryan her attending physician and her husband, Mr. Moses Knott, think her condition very good considering circumstances.

Mr. John Maggard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Maggard, formerly of Russell, Mississippi, were in the city Tuesday to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Annie Maggard, however, an accident eccured about 20 miles on the other side of Birmingham and delayed the party. On reaching the city, the remains of his darling mother had been tenderly laid to rest. The lefyt immediately for their home in Clarksburg, West Virginia.

You Don't lose when you advertise in this paper

Rev. Roy L. Young is to leave the city Tuesday for St. Lous, Mo. He is a member of the Building Committee of the C. M. E. Church. The Committee has been called by Bishop J. A. Hamplett to meet in St. Louis Wednesday morning. Rev. Young reports that he might visit some of our large churches in St. Louis and other places while away.

The Rev. W. R. Ramsey of New Albany, Mississippi and Ex-pastor of Newell Chapel, will be in the city Saturday for the purpose of worshiping at Newell Chapel Church throughout Sunday. The pastor and members have on a financial drive for the indebtedness of the church. Ten babies are in a contest. Each baby is asked to represent with $10.00. The catpains of these Clubs are as follows: Mesdames Ethel Young, Rosa Miller, Bessie Beck, Estella Young, A. F. Steward, C. A. Leach, Lula Wilson, Mary Chillus, Velma Young and Annie Smith. The public is cordially invited to be present.

Mrs. L. V. Johnson, trained nurse of Greenville, Alabama, motored to Meridian where she is visiting friends. She will leave the city in a few days to visit relatives and friends of Brooksville, Mississippi. Mrs Johnson will be remembered by her many friends as Miss Leviticus Calmeas.

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The Baptist Seminary School Opens

The Baptist Seminary School Opens Wednesday September 16th

The Meridian Baptist Seminary will begin its 1931-32 term on Wednesday, September 16th. Students are urged to be present opening day. We are planning this to be the best session in the history of the school.

ITS HISTORY

When the school was founded, it was located in the little city of Macon, under the principalship of Rev. B. P. E. Gayles. After a term or two it was removed to Meridian. Having no place to go, it was run for a while in the basement of the Pilgrim Progress Baptist Church with Rev. J. T. Davis at it's head. Prof. Legette then took charge and stayed with it for two years. In the summer of 1899 the present principal was elected and opened in the basement of New Hope Baptist Church on September 22nd. He taught there till 1905, when a block of land on 31st Avenue and 16th Street was purchased and a fram building erected. The rest is modern history.

ITS AIMS

We have and do hold that it useless to construct buildings of brick and stone, equipt them with every appliance, and have no idea of the kind of men and women to be turned out therefrom. We know the class of boys and girls we are and have striven to develope. No one amounts to much who looks for a place to make him or her great. Places do not make people, but people make places. Our aim is to develope the boy or the girl that will dignify the place; to so adapt his or her life so as to have some weight and power wherever they live, whether in the city or in the backwoods. We believe that the teacher's job is to do more than show that six per cent a year is ½ per cent a month. His or her life should be a living example at all times for those who look for quidance and instruction.

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G. M. Reese, Principal and Professor; Dr. W. G. Wilson, Dean Bible School; Mrs. G. M. Reese, Latin and Algebra, Preceptress; Prof. S. McLemore, grammer school; Miss H. Q. Needham, Intermediate Dept.; Miss L. A. Davis, Primary.

MUSIC

We have a splendid music course under the supervision of a competent instructor. Both instrumental and vocal music are taught.

Mrs. Velma Beal Young and little son, Charles Lemuel, are resting fine at their residence 1509 28th Avenue. The little fellow is as anxious to see the new faces as they are to see him. Little Lois Jessonda Young is really proud of her little brother.

THE NEGRO LAW ABIDER

By W. A. C. HUGHES

Director of the Bureau of Negro Work of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church

One per cent of the population of the little town of Marion, Va., is in jail, and not one prisoner is a Negro. For several years the sheriff has not taken a Negro into custody.

This little town of four thousand inhabitants, is located at the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Three hundred of the population are Negroes, well housed, healthy, and industrious. Notwithstanding the discriminations of 1930-31, not a single Negro stood among the five hundred who formed the township's bread line. When Sheriff Dillard was asked by an indignant lady visitor to the jail why there were so many whites and no Negroes there, he replied: "The reason is simple; they are law-abiding." So far as is known there is no Negro bootlegger in the community.

The largest industries are a table company, a furniture concern, a handle works factory, and a quarry. There are more than eight hundred men employed by these industroes, yet only one Negro is employed in the furniture factory, and six in the quarry—and no Negroes in the others. There are a few Negro brick masons in the community, as well as some barbers, but most of the men catch jobs as they can. Women work as domestics at small wages. Lack of profitable employment leads to no law transgressions in Marion, for the Negro inhabitants are too self-respecting.

A Rosenwald school of four classrooms and an auditorium has just been completed. The men of the community dug the foundation and Negro masons laid all of the brick as their contribution. This summer, too, there was dedicated the Negro Mount Pleasant Methodist Episcopal Church, a brick structure with auditorium and lecture room, located on the main street of the town. There is not a dollar of indebtedness on the building.

In this environment of mountain beauty no Negro is suspected of crime. The Negroes are property owners and voters; there are no Negro beggars; a new church and school —what a community.

The above article on the Negro—Law Abider by Dr. W. A. C. Hughes is one that should attract attenton. After reading this article, I thought of my home town, Meridian and I wondered, why couldn't this be said of my people.

There are too many Colored people in Meridian who are not as particular as they should be, with regards to obeying the law. I do not wish to convey the idea that every Colored man convicted and punished has violated, because there are some who are punished, and yet they are innocent. Some times, we are found in suspicious places and the evidence in the cases may point towards us as being guilty. Too many Colored people are seen sweeping the streets. I think the Colored man ought to be the last one to be a violator. If the laws are to be broken, if the laws are to be violated and disobeyed, let somebody else do that. If one will visit the police courts on Monday mornings, he will see that a big collection is taken up in a few minutes. Sometimes hundreds of dollars are paid in fines and cost by our people.

Friends, do you know that we will never be a race and will never amount to very much at this rate? I am confident, if the figures could be obtained, you would find that Negroes are paying enough in fines and the costs of courts in the city of Meridian to pay two or three officers' salary. Do you know that when we fail to be law abiding citizens as we should, there must be more policemen employed? The more disobedient we are, the more white men will be employed and paid a good salary to keep us quiet. Why not stop and consider? Have you thought of the large number of colored boys and men seen sweeping the streets of Meridian every day? Go to the county road, if you will, and look at the large number of our people on the road working.

Why be a bootlegger when you know that you are going to be caught? Why be used as a cat's paw? If we expect to be law abiding citizens, we must begin at the fire side. Mothers and fathers must teach their children to be honest and law abiding. It must be taught from the pulpit. It is up to us to reduce the police force. It is up to us to reduce the collections in the police court. It is up to us to do away with some of these offices in Meridian. It is up to us to see to it that the city and county jail are practically empty. If the Negroes will decide that they will quit violating, there wil be no convicts sweeping the streets, and the city will be compelled to hire us to keep the city clean. Lets make some money off the city of Meridian and our county too. Lets decide that we will break up street sweeping by convicts, and to do that, we must be law abiding citizens. The streets of the city of Meridian must be kept clean and if the city fails to get convict labor, it is going to hire free labor. What says you friends? Lets clean up the streets of Meridian.

R. W. YOUNG, AGENT

For Tomb stones, Corner-Stones and monuments. If you have deceased friends or relatives and want to erect a monument in honor of them. I am soliciting your patronage. I would like to make this special appeal to the people in and around Meridian.

Before you buy, see me. Mr. J. H. O'Neil has asked me to take charge of all Colored business.

I will make you a price just as cheap as you can get it. I am thanking you in advance for your patronage.

DECENCY

I have tried to be a close observer of people in general with regards to their decency before the public. Some of us forget ourselves or at least we forget where we are. A few days ago I saw a man enter a cafe for a meal, and as he pulled the screen door open, he bowed his head and let go a mouth full of spit right on the door. Another, after getting on the inside felt like spitting, and he walked to the door and let it go.

Some people place their tobacco juice and snuff juice anywhere on the floor, and side walk. Why not use a little more decency and place your spit where it belongs. If you visit your neighbor or if you are visiting church service and you must spit, why not use your handkerchief? If you cannot use your handkerchief why not rise and go to the door. If you cannot go to the door don't spit on the floor. I would prefer seeing you use your hat rather than the floor.

THE UNFORTUNATE

By Rev. W. G. Wilson

There are many unfortunate situations in life. Happenings which just didn't have to happen. Nevertheless, this is life. So many of these unfortunate conditions would never have been, if a little fore thought had been exercised.

It is quite unfortunate for anyone, who is "Small" at heart; the man or woman who is inclined to be jealous and narrowly disposed towards the gift of others. "Pettiness" is an evil at best. It stands in the way of racial progress. Unfortunate is the group which has a preponderance of "smallness" in it. Pettiness is selfish. The indisposition to accord honor unto whom it is due is certain to breed strife and ill will. One will not, nor cannot say good things for you, of you, nor about you, when his heart is small. This kind of a person is one of unfortunate conditions of our social and moral progress. To discover "Greatness" in others, is proof-positive of the greatness that is in you. On the other hand, to see nothing praiseworthy in others speaks in loud tones of the smallness of your life. This is an unfortunate situation. It makes cowards of people who should be giants in the common life of their respective communities.

These unfortunate conditions of individual life are real handicaps. When one is large in his own estimation, then he is very small in the estimation of others, who think correctly. It is an unfortunate situation when one will destroy his own good name, to get to destroy the good name of another. It is a very unfortunate thing, for those who have much to lose, if they are not thoughtful, to tie up in any way with them who have nothing to lose regardless to what happens. Take time and carefully select your company, and thus save the day.

The many, many friends of Mr. J. E. Durr, State Agent of the Holbrook Benevolent Association, will be glad to know that he is back on the field again. Agent Durr has been indisposed about four weeks at his home, 803-42nd Ave., Meridian, Mississippi. Agent Durr made a commendable report in the Convention. Hundreds of members were added during the past year by Agent Durr. We are expecting him to make a sweeping report in the next four or five months.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

There will be a Carnival and picnic Monday, September 7th, given by St. James A. M. E. Church, 42nd Avenue and 10th Street, on the new play ground.

The Pew Rally of St. James A. M. E. Church was a success. The amount raised was $50.00. Everything seems to be going on smoothly.

Misses Dora Brantley and Legia Mae Murphey have become very popular since broadcasting over W C O C Monday night at 10:00 o'clock and they both wish to thank their friends for congratulations. They will broadcast again soon.

FIRST TO PURCHASE

Mrs. Elnora Williams, Cashier-Clerk for the Century Life Insurance Company, will be proud to know that she was the first one to purchase a copy of the new Weekly Echo. We are very grateful to have witnessed such a fortunate event.

Woodmen Of Union and Century Life Insurance Co. of Hot Springs, Arkansas Perfect Merger

At a Special Grand Lodge of Woodmen of Union at Hot Springs, Ark. August 12th, 1931, it was voted to merge with the Century Life Ins. Co., with Home Office at Hot Springs, thereby creating a mammoth organization. This plan has already met with almost universal favor. Although final details have not reached the public, it goes without saying that this is the foremost business move that has taken place among our group in the Southwest. This merger brings together two successful organizations making one gigantic concern and the reduction in overhead, if nothing else would well justify the move.

The Hon. John L. Webb will retain his strategic position in the new concern and all can be assured of the benefit of his successful and sound business experience. The same field force, with additions, will be maintained and even better service will be rendered the many policy holders of the reorganized Company.

This merger will be looked upon with suspicion by the uninformed as are all progressive movements whether in business, religion, or what not. However, we must realize that this is the age of progress and big business and unless we keep apace with the changes, we will as a result, stagnate. The Woodmen of Union and the Century Life are following the trend of the times by creating one organization rather than two, not because of necessity, but in order to stay prepared to meet everchanging conditions. Further details will be released in the near future.

CLUB NEWS

Mrs. Laura Harris was hostess to the Aurora Literary Art Club, Wednesday evening, August 26th.

All members were present except two. Radio music was enjoyed and a lovely two course menu was served.

The visitors attending the Club were Misses Ora Humphrey, Velma Leigh Maggie Buckingham and Lucile Barrett.

The next meeting will be with Miss Hattie Nelson, Wednesday, September 30, 1931.

MRS. BESSIE C. BEAL, Pres.
MRS. M. P. STRAYHORN, Rep.

There are any number of dishes which can be made with the green peppers, such as stuffed with cheese and rice, potatoes and fish, chicken and macaronia, mixed vegetables, etc. The shells may be used for serving most any of the vegetable or meat salads. The peppers may be sliced in half lengthwise and stuffed with slaw to serve with baked meats.

SLUGGERS MEET FOREST

The Queen City Sluggers Club will play the High Aces, Forest, Mississippi, Monday, Labor Day, September 7th, at Traction Park. A double-header. First game called at 1:00 o'clock sharp. Second game called at 3:30 o'clock P. M. The Sluggers and High Aces have a reputation as the best in the state.

These will be the most outstanding Base Ball games in Meridian this season. All Meridian and Forest will witness the games and boast their team.

DE PRIEST CALLS NON-PARTISANS

Congressman Oscar DePriest has issued a call for a non-partisan nationwide convention composed of delegates representing the entire circle of racial life and intrest to be held in Washington, D. C., December 2-4. The call says in part, "I have sensed a serious and deep under current of dissatisfaction among all classes of Negroes in every section of the country with the present economic and political conditions. The time is ripe for concerted action. Furthermore, the masses are expecting the leaders to appeal for justice and definite relief. To this end on June 26th, 1931, I invited a small group to Washington for the purpose of formulating certain definite measures urged upon the President and Congress of the United States and all political parties. The conference agreed that the program of the convention should include the discussions of the following grievances: 1st, Lynching; 2nd, Discrimination in Civil Service; 3rd, Economic Discrimination; 4th, Disfranchisement; 5th, Unfair Distribution of Federal Educational Funds."

Mr. DePriest in issuing the call represents the convention committee composed of Bishops E. D. W. Jones, W. J. Walls, Mary B. Harris, Mrs. Ophelia Hill Lee; Mrs. George S. Williams, Carl Murphy, Kelly Miller Judge W. P. Hueston, J. Finley Wilson, Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, Mrs. Blanche A. Washington, Eugene Davidson, John Davis.

Louisville Leader.

The Excelsior Lodge, Knights of Pythians, No. 34, meets in regular session, Tuesday, September 8th, 8:00 P. M.

Business of vital importance will be transacted. Present and former members are cordially invited to attend.

H. W. KELLY, C. C.
F. L. CHALMUS, K. R. S.

Mrs. E. L. Gilger left the city Tuesday morning for Aberdeen, Mississippi.

Misses Mary Turner, 1715 30th Avenue and Leda Kelly, 415 49th Avenue, are at the Flint Goodridge hospital, New Orleans, where they will study nursing training.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown of 1008 Rubush Avenue, have moved to 3422 12th Street. They will be glad to have their friends call to see them at this address.

Miss Lola W. Lewis of Colera, Ala., is in the city visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown of 3422 12th Street. She has been in the city three weeks, and will leave very soon to attend school.

Mrs. Rovella Beal and little son were in the city last week visiting relatives.

Mrs. Beal has returned to Hattiesburg; but her little son, Lemond, Jr., is here visiting his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Beal.

Miss Rennie Rae Strayhorn entertained with a picture show party, honoring Miss Lola W. Lewis of Colera, Alabama. After the show a few games of whist were enjoyed and a lovely ice course was served. Piano music was furnished by Mr. Eugene Toole.

Those participating in this affair were Misses Lola W. Lewis, Jessie Mae Webb, Elizabeth Brown, Lola Johnson. Messrs Herman Dunlap, Elmer Kelley and Willie Edgar Beal.

VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE FUNERAL DIRECTORS' ASSOCIATION ATTENDS FUNERAL

Mr. Henry Strayhorn motored to Natchez, Mississippi, Tuesday night to attend the funeral of Mr. Robert H. Mackel, Sr., Wednesday, September 2nd, at 3:00 o'clock. Mr. Mackel was a prominent business man and undertaker of Natchez, Mississippi.

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Editorial

The Future of The Negro

For some time I have tried to give some study with regards to the future of the Negro race. When we take a retrospective view of the past and see the splendid progess that has been made by our race, any proud man or woman will be inspired to push forward to greater heigths. The progress that has been made by our people goes to show that our forefathers took advantage of limited opportunities. The Negro has never been content with his present conditions and it is not desirable that he should be, but all sensible thinking Negroes should be discontent in order to be effectively beneficial. When I think of the future of the Negro I fear that too many of us are wastening gracious opportunities. If we expect to be a great benefit in the future, we must adhere to the fundamental principles of our government as best we know how. Our future depends largely upon our present conduct. It is manifestly foolish for us to butt our heads against a solidly built stone wall, but it would be perfectly proper and sensible, if we see something on the other side of the wall to which we are entitled, to find, if possible, an opening in the wall or by some legitimate means to make a breach in the wall. As a race, through gratitude we have followed the advice of the white man for a number of years and I have no criticism to offer on following the advice of the white man, provided he is the right kind. We have in the white race a number of friends and I think the best friend of the Colored race is that man or woman who will cause us to study and to think so that actions can be had, upon deliberate judgements rather than partisan bias. We need to be advised by men who are not possessed with ulterior motives that will finally benefit them only.

If the Negro ever expects to amount to anything in the future, he must learn to economize. He must learn to be thrifty. He must possess an abundance of common sense. As a race, too many young men and women are content with fine clothes when, as a matter of fact, we should do as our forefathers; wear ordinary clothes and possess a home. Fine clothes, automobiles, jewelry and the like will not get us anywhere if we continually refrain from buying homes. It is peculiarly strange to me when I look around and see so many of our forefathers and mothers who possess houses, lots, land, cows, hogs, etc., whereas on the other hand we as a young race possess practically nothing; of course there are exceptions. I fear that we spend too much for "good times," whereas we should be making preparation for the future.

EDUCATION

If the future of the race is to be one of outstanding, we must educate. Ignorance is the cause of all crimes. When I say educate I don't mean that we are to possess the letter only, but the heart must be educated. In other words, we must have a desire and longing to do the right thing. Education in the truest sense of the words implies more than being familiar with history, science, etc. It is a fine thing to educate the head, to train the mind, to be a student of history, phyeology, etc., but if this is not accompanied with an educated heart, one finds himself in worse conditions. I believe that as a race we can do anything we desire to do, provided we have SENSE enought to do so. I have seen men and women who had Master Degree, some who possessed the Doctor's Degree and yet, they seemed to have been misfits. The best school that I ever attended was the school of "Hard Knocks and Bumps." The university of "Hard Knocks and Bumps," will give us experience that can be obtained from no other Institution. If the future of the Negro is to be anything, it is up to us to make it so, it is up to us to economize. It is up to us to remember, that commonly speaking, it was just yesterday when the race was set free. It is up to us to buy homes. It is up to us to save our money. It is up to us to educate. It is up to us to be morally good.

There seems to be a tendency on the part of the trained Negro to look disfavorably upon the religious side of life. What I mean by that is this: When it comes to a religious expression we try to act as the white folks do in their service. We sit and listen. We do not bow our heads. We just sit dignified and when the service is over, we say the preacher had a fine discourse, or he made me sick with that junk. I am not up-holding foolishness in services, but I do believe that we have as much right to put our wholeselves into a religious service as we do to put our wholeselves in a base ball game. I have tried this method of sitting and listening, by keeping quiet, no amens, etc., but somehow or other the service was not as good as it was when I put myself into it and witnessed the message of the minister. Somehow, I like the old time religion. It is good enough for me. This old "fogy" religion played a conspicuous part in setting us free and the same religion from the heart will free us of other disadvantages.

Locals

Miss Sallie C. Hines, a graduate of Wechsler High School, left the city this morning for Louisville, Mississippi, where she will serve in the capacity as teacher of physical culture and mathmatics.

The following were guests of Miss Hines Monday afternoon: Misses Lillian Brown, Rejina Edwards, Lillie Ray and Minnie Ray. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and daughters of Detroit, Michigan, were also guests in conjunction with Mrs. Victoria Thomas of Livingston, Alabama.

Miss Carry Kelley was able to resume her work Tuesday morning after a recent illness which lasted for two weeks. Miss Kelley is welcome to her work and retains her very jovial smiles.

Mr. Edward Anderson of Laurel, Mississippi, was the guest of Miss Symerial McCafty, 13th Avenue and 20th Street, Saturday August 29th.

Mr. Jewell Mercellius was in the city Saturday night, August 29th enroute from the city of Lookout mountain Chattanooga, Tennessee, to his home New Orleans. While here Mr. Marcellius was the guest of Miss Leona Williams 2711-16th Street.

Mr. Charles P. Williams, known as Charlie Grogg was in the city Friday August 28th from St. Louis, Mo., and was the guest of Maurice Welch, Meridian's Whispering pianist. Mr. Williams is also a prominent musician at the piano.

Prof. G. M. Reese, Principal of the Meridian Baptist Seminary, left Thursday morning September 3rd for the State Baptist Convention, which convenes at Pelahatchee, Mississippi. Mrs. Reese serves in the capacity as secretary of the Convention and accompanied her husband on the trip.

Miss Ella Sales Badwell, member of the High School faculty of Starksville, Miss., is in the city. While here she is the guest of Mrs. Everline Spencer of Marion Park.

Mr. Lavoy Spooner of Macon, Mississippi, left the city Monday evening to return home. While here Mr. Spooner was the guest of his sister, Mrs. W. C. Baity, 1512-28th Avenue.

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE WEEKLY ECHO

The many friends of Mrs. Ed Ulmer regret to learn of her illness and wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. S. J. Smith, who was visiting her sister, Mrs. Laura Sams, 3923-Davis Street, left the city Tuesday, September 1st, for her home at Macon, Mississippi, where she is to teach this term.

Mrs. M. A. Buckingham and family, 3621-7th Street, left Tuesday morning for Nashville, Tennessee, where they will visit with relatives and friends.

CHURCH NEWS

NEW PROSPECT BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., E. L. Wicks, Supt.

Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

B. Y. P. U. at 5:30 P. M. Willie Hall, President.

Rev. C. J. Boykins, Pastor.

Bethel A. M. E. Church

Rev. G. C. Borroum, Pastor.

9:30 A. M., Sunday School.

11:00 A. M., Morning worship. Sermon subject "The Yoke of Christ." At this service the converts, who were taken in during the revival, will be baptized, read into full membership and the Holy Eucarest will be administered.

7:30 P. M., Evening worship, Subject "Feed My Sheep."

Monday night official Board Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT

An interesting and amusing program, entitled "TWICE A CHILD," will be rendered by the Social Service Department of New Hope Baptist Church, on Friday night, September the 11th, at 8:00 o'clock.

Certain phases of the Child Life of many of the well-known people will be dramatized. The grownups and middle aged, will play certain features of their childhood life: The program is high class and Educational. It will start the fountain of youth to flowing in the hearts of all who witness it. Women whose maiden names have never been known will be known on this program entitled

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Children under twelve years of age 10c—Adults 15c.

Mrs. W. G. Wilson, Promoter.

Mrs. Annie Young Smith made a report to the Woman's Missionary Federation at the First Baptist Church (white) last Monday afternoon. The report was pertaining to a recent Bible Training School conducted at Newell Chapel Church, and her trip to Jackson, Mississippi, of which said trip was sponsored by the Woman's Missionary Federation. Mrs. Smith reports that there were about one hundred ladies present.

Mesdames J. P. Reese and Will Lew accompanied Mrs. Smith.

The Weekly Echo,
Rev. Roy L. Young, Editor.
Dear Rev. Young:

I wish to take this method to congratulate you for your efforts to establish higher social standards and racial uplift among our group in Meridian and east Mississippi.

I feel that your publication of a Weekly newspaper fills a long felt want and need. You have my support and co-operation, as well as those whom I am serving. May the blessings of the triune God attend your ways.

Hoping for your prosperous future, I am

Rev. G. C. Borrorum.

Some people will stoop to anything that's low, but they don't like to rise to anything that's high.

Miss Elsie D. Meadows entertained Miss Myrtle Lewis of East St. Louis, Illinois with a morning picture party, Friday evening August 28th.

Shore

Amos: Do you know what surrounds all of the oceans Andy?

Andy: Sho, Sho.

SOCIAL NEWS

More now than ever does the opening of the present school year seem to break into our so well equipped social circle. To take from us ours—To give to someone else—To make us uncomfortable—To add to someone's else enjoyment, happiness and satisfaction, to cause our hearts to burn and shrink—To cause others' hearts to flush with gladness, joy and probably cupid, the god of love—How do we know! But at the same time the opening of this school year brings us comfort, which has been ours in the past years, realities in exchange for memory we have cherished since the closing of last year's term. The many who are professional in their line of work, whom we are very proud of; those who will be the samaritans and do us the good, after addition, subtraction, unselfishness, impartiality along with due consideration, we find that it is not so terrible bad after all.

The regular meeting of the Lincoln Recreational Club is scheduled for Sunday, September 6, 1931 at 5:30 P. M., at the usual location. Routine business, particularly the completion of plans for the not-far-off tournament, will occupy attention of the evening session. All members and those interested are urged to be present.

The Belton's Society Syncopators will be presented Monday night September 7th. This prominent and popular aggregation of musicians is sponsored by the Pythian Temple Commitee, with the presentation of this extraordnary affair will be in addition--Plenty of fun, singing, real dance rythm and tap dancing by T. Howard Slim, known as "Happy Feet."

Cast a vote for Belton, hear the returns at the Pythian Temple.

Miss Leoneed Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Scott, prominent in educational and social circles, left the city Sunday af 2:45 p. m. for New Orleans, being enroute for Belle, La., where she will take up her regular school work as assistant principal.

This is Miss Scott's third year at the same school, having taught two years previously.

A sure sign that summer lasts and is very much appreciated, is the fact that numerous crowds of boys congregate on some corners and at public places in their respective places and in various sections of the city, at night and during the day, and are heard giving laughter and low downs, known to the opposite sex as gossip, on different subjects. We presume that these boys are making hay while the sun shines, or it might be that they are girl-less, lonesome or probably anxious to view the beautiful brilliant moons.

Mr. William Crockett, "High Roller" as he is known in social circles, was seen drooping Sunday at Saunders' Drug Store. The presumption is that Mr. Crockett's broad heart is broken into atoms, because of Miss Scott's departure Sunday evening. Now High Roller, if you continue drooping like that, you will damage your reputation as a modern gentleman and your health also. So be yourself and cheer up. The sun shines brightest just after the darkest hour has passed.

It has been rumored that Mr. Victor Glenn has planned leaving the city soon for Detroit, Michigan. But from what was seen Sunday afternoon, August 30th—Mr. Glenn chaseing the skirts and finally successful in securing the very rare companionship of Miss Esther D. Thornton, is planning to leave sooner than soon, or be carried away.

Many more rune like the one Mr. Glenn had Sunday, he will have to retire for unlimited repairs

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Miss Symeria McCarty was hostess for a party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bryant, 2205-15th Avenue, Saturday August 29th at 8:00 p. m. Miss Myrtle Lewis of St. Louis, Mo., was the honored guest and left for her home Sunday evening.

The Willing Workers' Club of Newell Chapel C. M. B. Church met at the home of Rev. and Mrs. E. F. Young, 1503-26th Avenue, Monday evening at 8:00 P. M. A delightful program was tendered by members and friends of the Club. Mrs. Lula Wilson, president of the Willing Workers' Club, presided with grace and dignity. Some very courageous remarks were made by the Rev. W. R. Ramsey of New Albany, Mississippi. After the business session of the meeting was over, a splendid two course luncheon was served after which, a very pleasant evening was brought to a close.

MARRIAGE

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Walker, 2910-30th Avenue, will announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Josephine Walker to Mr. Lee Mark McClinton at an early date. The marriage will take place at the home of the bride to be parents.

ELDER GIT OFF ER DAT GOAT

(By L. G. Granford)

Hold on dar! Elder, you've got dat thing wrong
You caint cram dat kind o stuff down my thoat,
Case dar aint no place in de bible dat jestifies a Preacher in ridin a goat.
Now you say de reason you jine de lodge is case de church wouldent give you support.
So now your head and heart is fixed on a develish
Old Billie goat.

You's a running round here from pillow to post
Wid a little old pin stuck in your coat
And stid o you preaching for Christ and de cause
You are all for the lodge and de goat.
There aint a city, nor a town in dis whole big state
Nor a villige dat is of any note
What de preachers aint pinching and squeezing folks' hand
To see if deys been ridin a goat.
Paul never said a thing bout a lodge
In none of de letters he wrote
Neither did Peter, James or John
Dey all got long dout a goat.
I tell you bud you better cal a halt case the gospel is all you can toot.
Now, you jest stay in dat lodge til Jesus comes back
And you wil wish you had got off dat goat.

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Coleman W. Kerry, A. B., evangelist, National Baptist Convention U. S. A., returned to the city Sunday night August 30, after having conducted evangelistic services, which carried him into five different places in Texas and over a large portion of Texas. Rev. Kerry delivered several addresses during his trip. Among them was an address delivered at the American College of Industrial of Art at Fortworth, Texas, one of the largest of its kind for Negroes in the Southland. Rev. Kerry also delivered an address that was broadcast. Reports show that he was successful in obtaining 250 converts.

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BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL

The Bible Training School, that was conducted at Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church for eight days by Mrs. Annie Smith, was a glowing success. The attendance was steadily on the increase from the beginning to the end. The following ministers co-operated: Revs. E. F. Young, J. W. Walker, E. M. Hill and J. M. Shumphert. All of these ministers entered into the meeting that was largely attended by Methodists, Baptists and Congregationlists No greater work has been done in this section of the city, in the way of a Bible Training School, than the work that has just closed. We are indebted to the Woman's Missionary Federation (White) for giving this special training to Mrs. Annie Smith of Newell Chapel Church, and, to the wife of Rev. Lew. Sisters Smith and Lew are doing their best to impart to our people the training that was given them at Jackson, Mississippi. On the frst day the enrollment was about 56 and it continued until we had registered more than 80 students. A large number of white friends visited the meeting. Some among the number visited were: Dr. Burt and family, Miss Caroline Cochran, Mrs. J. H. Currie, Sr., Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. Hancock and Mrs. Edwards. Many of those who have attended this school regret that it closed so early. It has been one of the most helpful Bible Schools held in the East End. It is hoped that the same school will be conducted another year at Mt. Zion Baptist Church. The book of James was studied. A chapter being discussed every day.

CLOSES SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL

Dear Readers:

I am pleased to report that I have closed a successful revival at Taylorville, Mississippi.

The people were stired. Great crowds came out to hear the great preacher, Mrs. L. B. Williams of Meridian. Mrs. Williams made a lasting impression.

Rev. E. M. Hill, Pastor.

REMEMBER

Please remember a knock is only a boost, if you have got the stuff in you to do. You can't afford to stop because some fellow does not like you. First of all be sure you are right and then go ahead. Remember: you can't live in this world and do big things without some knockers. Remember the strongest tree in the forest is the one that has stood many storms. Remember: if you are to be a good prize fighter some body must give you a few uper-cuts. Don't get sick because people curse and discuss you, that is all some folks can do and every body must do something. Remember if you want to be a big man or woman in the world you must first of all DO big things. Remember the things you do speak so loud that the world can not hear what you SAY.

Untruthful

_Good morning, Will.
GOOD MORNING SIR.
Have you had any luck?
Oh, I got 50 yesterday.
Do you know who I am?
No, I don't know nothing about you.
I am the boss here and all of this place belongs to me. It is posted.
Well, what I want to know do you know who I am?
No, who are you?
I am the biggest liar in this country.

SUCCESSFUL DRIVE

The pastor and members of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church, 13th Avenue and 14th Street, had a successful meeting last Sunday. The Rev. W. R. Ramsey of New Albany, Mississippi, arrived Saturday afternoon. He delivered two special sermons on Sunday.

Many, many of Rev. Ramsey's old acquaintances greeted him at these services. He remained in the city until Tuesday morning, at which time he and Rev. Young left for New Albany, Mississippi, by the way of the G. M. & N. Rev. Young left for St. Louis, Mo.

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BIG JOB, WHO IS TO DO IT?

When Christ came into the world it was His purpose to establish in the hearts of men the principles for which He came. I believe that we should be interested in foreign work. I believe that we should be interested to the extent that if we cannot go, we should help send someone to the Mission fields; in order that the world might be christianized, but somehow, I believe that much must be done in this land and country of ours. I have been on a wonder as to who should do the job. I have come to the conclusion that the good and honorable white women of this land and country of ours should, and can, led the way better than any other living element.

I am just out of a Bible Training School held at my church, and being able to see the expressions upon the faces of our people that showed appreciation for this work, I said to myself, that the white women can take the lead and make this beautiful land of ours what it should be. This training school, as far as I know, is fostered mainly by the religious white ladies and many hearts were touched. Many of our girls and boys, men and women decided to live better lives, be better christians and make better citizens.

Sometime ago I read an article pertaining to a white woman in Tennessee, who spoke to a group of men who desired to take a Negro from the jail and administer punishment. I say she spoke to them and said to them, "Gentlemen, stand back, you cannot get him." Those men had too much respect for that white lady to attempt to over power her. They took her at her word. This brings to my mind the fact that there is a big job to be accomplished and I believe that the white women can accomplish this job easier, quieter and better than any human being. The white men will listen at what their honored women say. He will obey them. I believe that the job that is to be accomplished in this country of ours is too big for anybody except the good christian hearted white women. Lets pray that God may have his way in selecting some group of christian hearted people to put over this big job.

BABY CONTEST

The Baby Contest was one of much interest and success. Much credit is due Mesdames R. L. Young, L. W. Wilson, Rosa Miller, Velma Young, Lucinda Carter, Annie Smith, C. A. Leach, and Ethel Digman, all of whom worked for the baby that they represented.

The Baity baby took first prize, whereas the Bryant babies and the Morris baby took second prize. The amounts reported are as follows:

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H. B. A. NEWS

AGENT J. E. DURR'S REPORT

Dear Editor:

Thursday August 27th, I visited lodge No. 450 of which Mr. W. B. Howze is local president. I found this lodge is up to the standard. The house was filled to its seating capacity. Three new members were added to the lodge. I examined the records and I found that they have 50 members in good and regular standing with both local and general bodies. The members are working in harmony with the local president.

Friday August 28th, I visited lodge No. 411 of which Josh Moody was local president. I raised the standard of this lodge and installed officers. Mr. Elbert Shelby was elected local president and Mrs. Ida Shelby was elected secretary. I left this lodge doing nicely. They have 30 members in good and regular standing. My lecture to this lodge must have been beneficial.

H. B. A. NEWS

It has been reported by president Moses Walker of lodge No. 362 of Brookhaven, Mississippi, that he and his members are doing nicely and still increasing their membership.

PRESIDENT JOHN ADAM OF LODGE NO. 3:3 OF SUBUTA MISSISSIPPI SUCCUMBS

According to a report, Mr. John Adams, local president of lodge No. 303, Shubuta, Mississippi, died a few days ago. Mr. Adam has been local president of this lodge for a number of years and served his people to the best of his ability.

The passing of Mr. Adams will be regreted by both white and colored. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, three daughters, five boys, one sister and a darling mother.

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A prcious one from us has parted,
A voice we loved is still,
A place is vacant in our lodge
Which never can be filled.

Dear Editor:

We, as members of lodge No. 253 are glad to announce to the many readers of the Weekly Echo, the splendid success and happiness that now exist in our lodge. On our last meeting we obligated three new members and received one transfer card for a member who transferred to our lodge, in the person of Brother Noah Shannon. Brother Shannon was one of the old founders of the H. B. A. He was elected chaplain of our lodge and everyone was made to feel spiritually indebted to Brother Shannon.

The devotional service was conducted by Brother Shannon, after which the monthly Dues was taken up which amounted to $18.00. We paid all bills and left a nice sum in treasury. Just before the lodge dismissed, Brother Shannon arose and explained to the lodge just how he enjoyed himself and admired our local president in the splendid way he carried out the duties of the lodge. We really believe that the association could not have made a better step when it elected our president, Brother E. F. Young, Jr., as General Vice-President of the H. B. A. May God be with him and strengten him all along the way.

T. C. MILLER, Reporter.

There was a benefit party presented by Miss Ora Dee Phillips, assisted by her sisters, Edna and Lucretia, at the home of Mrs. Geneva Williams, 3016 12th Street, Wednesday, September 2nd. The very spacious and beautiful home was taxed to its capacity.

DRIVE A SUCCESS

A very successful drive was brought to a close Sunday, August 30, at 3:30 P. M. at Calvary Baptist Church, with the rendition of a splendid program by members and friends of the church which was due to the untiring efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Shaw.

According to the report of Mr. William Williams, Vice-President of lodge No. 400, of Cliftonville, Mississippi, he and the members of his lodge are doing nicely. He states that Agent Ames Johnson made a recent visit to his lodge, and his visit has proven to be beneficial.

Mr. Williams and his good members are making preparation to entertain the September Board.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS
By Miss Lillian Larkin

PEAR MARMALADE

Two pints of sliced pears, two pints of sliced tart apples, two lemons, juice and grated rind, two oranges, juice and grated rind, three cups of sugar. Wash, pare and slice the apples and pears. Mix well and allow to stand for two hours. Cook with the flame low until the fruit is clear. If preferred this marmalade may be made in the oven at 300 degrees, using a shallow pan and stiring occassionally. Fill sterilized jars and seal with paraffin.

CANNING PEPPER PICKLES

Wash a peck of green sweet peppers and remove the stem end and clean out the seeds. Cocer with boiling water and allow to stand for ten minutes. Drain and plunge into cold water. Drain and pack into jars. To one quart of cider vinegar add two cups of sugar and boil fifteen minutes. Pour over the peppers while boiling hot and seal with clean rubbers and top. Allow to cool and set away in a cool place.

MIXED PICKLES

One gallon cabbage, one gallon green tomatoes, one quart of onions three green peppers.

Slice these and add half a cup of salt. Stir and leave overnight. In the morning drain and cover with vinegar. Add one and one half teaspoons of mustard, one tablespoon of cloves, add mace and cinnamon which has been mixed with two pounds of sugar, three ounces of tumeric and one ounce of celery seed. Cook until tender and pack into clean sterilize jars.

Miss Annie Curry arrived in the city yesterday to teach at the East End School. Her numerous friends are glad to welcome her return.

Miss Mattie L. Harkum, member of Wechsler faculty, arrived in the city Thursday and gladened the hearts of all that knew her.

STAGED PLAY

A play entitled "How The Story Grew", was rendered at New Canaan Baptist Church, Wednesday night, September 2nd, by the members of Rose Hill Methodist Church and New Canaan Baptist Church.

This play was rendered at Rose Hill M. E. Church, Tuesday night, August 18th, and, by a special request, it was repeated at New Canaan Baptist Church. Those who took active parts in the play are as follows: Misses Lillian Larkin, Beatrice Hardy, Jennie Ruth Scott, Marie Scott, Ellen Hardy, Esther Stennis, Adline Hardy and Elizabeth Williams.

After the concert, a reception was given at the home of Mrs. Lynch Griffin in honor of the members of the concert.

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REVIVAL TO BEGIN

Revival services will begin at Rose Hill M. E. Church, Sunday September 6th. This meeting will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. A. Williams, and assisted by the following preachers: Revs. D. L. Morgan, Dis. Supt., Meridian, Miss.; A. Nelson, Philadelphia, Miss.; A. L. Bohanan, DeKalb, Miss.; and Geo. Williams, Hickory, Miss.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Dr. F. R. C. Durden is Presiding Elder of the Mt. Via District. North A. M. E. Conference and is a condidate for the Bishopric in 1932.

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Nelson Gets Life Imprisonment

Clinton Nelson Colored Youth Now on State Farm

Clinton Nelson 17 year old colored youth, who was condemed to death by hanging and whose execution had been fixed for to-day, is to spend the rest of his life in the State Penitentiary. Governor Bilbo commuted the sentence to life imprisonment last Wednesday. According to reports from sheriff M. J. Stone, Jailer A. E. McGee turned Nelson over to Traveling Sergeant Sam Nunnery. According to reports, Clinton was immediately taken to the farm where he is to spend the rest of his life.

Clinton Nelson was tried in the Circuit Court. He was convicted and sentenced to death by judge J. D. Fatheree for the murder of Mr. Andrew Price of Toomsuba, Mississippi. There were three brothers convicted in the Price murder. Cleveland Nelson who said that he did the killing, was hanged May 8th. Dock Nelson is now serving a life term in the State Penitentiary and Clinton, the third brother, because of the action of Governor Bilbo who saved his life, is now on the State farm. According to reports there has been much sympathetic feeling toward Clinton by both white and colored.

The mother of Clinton, over a long distance telephone call Thursday morning, in a low and weak voice asked the following question: "Is my son to be hanged Friday or will his life be saved by the Governor? Please wire a message to me. I cannot hear anything."

Cleveland who was hanged May 8th took all of the responsibilty for the killing of Mr. Price upon himself. He said before his death that his two brothers, Clinton and Dock, had nothing to do with the killing of Mr. Price and that neither one of his brothers was at the scene when he shot Mr. Price.

Spencers Fete Bride At Miscellaneous Shower

Lovely Mrs. Lieutenant Mosley, (Rubye L. Wilson) honored.

On Monday evening, August seventeenth, last, more than sixty maids and matrons of our group enjoyed the gracious hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Spencer along with the honoree, when the doors of their spacious home were thrown open to pay homage to one of the city's sweetest girls. The host and hostess, dear friends of the bride's parents, spared no pains to make this event one of long remembrance for Mrs. Ruby L. Wilson-Mosley.

The living and dining room were thrown into one and beautifully decorated with cut flowers and ferns in crystal bowls and vases. Delicately shaded lights and softly rendered music, shrouded the afternoon, between the hours of four until eight, with magic lovliness.

Mr. and Mrs. Mosley, seated in specially appointed chairs, reviewed the party with mute appreciation. She in a dainty creation of pale-rose chiffon, flesh hose and black satin slippers. Her corsage was of pastel rosebuds and fern, looked truly, "the blushing bride."

Misses Clara Edna McDonald and Elsie D. Meadows welcomed the guest and presented the register in which each guest scribed her name.

Misses Minnie P. Walk and Gladys Wilson presided at the punch bowl.

Dacing, the reading of the marriage certificate by Mrs. Hattye Rogers Falkner, and music were the amusements. During intermission, Misses Meadows and Walk sang, "When Your Hair has turned to Silver," and which, two tots Master Willie Hocks and little Miss Crawford, couriers, drew two heavily loaded wagons into the room to the tune of "Melody of Love" rendered by Miss Bernice Wilson, and presented their precious burdent to the bride who in turn, smilingly thanked the donors.

Then, when every-one was wondering just when the nupitals would really "be read," Mrs. John Wilson, mother of the bride arose and announced that the ceremony had taken place, two days earlier.

All the serving young ladies, wore white Colonial costumes with white frills on their hair, making them appear both quaint and lovely.

A delightful ice course was served the following guests by the hostess; Mr. and Mrs. Lieutenant Mosley, (honor guests), Misses Meadows, McDonald, Elma Lewis, Elizabeth Moody, Gladys and Bernice Wilson, Naomi Crawford, Mesdames Vanilla Williams, Hickory, Miss. Bertha Ashford, Mary A. Johnson, Ada Meadows, Lula Shack, Mabel Lang, Jane Lang, Emma Crawford, John Wilson, Callie Wingate, Johnie Glispie, Arabel Glispie, Laura Hinson, Mable McDonald, Teresa Hodge, Paralee Lewis, Hannah Walk, Bessie Beck, Bessie Mosley, Leona Stewart, and Marth Rhodes.

Mr. and Mrs. Mosley were the recipients of many useful and delightful tokens.

Two Schools of Co-operative Extension Work in Agriculture and Home Economics

(By Mrs. Esther A. Butler, Home Demonstration Agent of Lauderdale County

There were two Extension Schools this summer conducted August 3-29th for the benefit of the Negro Home and Farm Demonstrative Agents in all the Southern states. One was held at the Arkansas State College at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, and the other at the Virginia State College, Petersubrg, Virginia. The Extension Department at Washington, cooperating with the state and county made possible those schools and the agents greatly appreciate the benefit derived from the instruction received there in Gardening, poultry work, Home Dairying, Clothing, Millinery, Meat Cutting, food preparation, food conservation, Extension Methods, Photography, health and sanitation. At chapel exercises every other day, there were lectures and addresses by prominent Extension Workers and others pointing out the opportunity the agent has for helping the rural people to come up to their possibilities and what those possibilities are.

The instructors were specialists from the Extension Department at Washington, D. C. and from the various states. In the Pine Bluff, Arkansas School were 102 agents from Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississippi. In the Petersburg, Virginia School were 150 agents from Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Kentucky, Missouri, Delaware, North and Couth Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia.

KILLED BY TRAIN

Mr. Clarence Chandler, 12th Street, was killed instantly on a trussell this side of Arundel Springs road by a N. O. & N. E. train. It is reported that Mr. Chandler had been to visit his brother that resides on the other side of Arundel Springs, and upon returning he came by the railroad and, while crossing the track, the train overtook him and killed him instantly.

The Orleans Area Council Closed in A Blaze of Glory Sept. 2nd.

(By REV. D. L. MORGAN)

The New Orleans Area Council closed in a blaze of glory September 2nd. The last two addresses were delivered by Dr. A. P. Shaw, the new Editor of the Christian Advocate Southwestern Edition and Dr. E. D. Kolhstedt, Secretary of the Board of Home Missions Church Extension.

These two addresses lifted the audience to sublime heights of estacy.

Sunday afternoon was a record-breaker. These great song festivals under the management of Prof. J. S. Lee, called together a mixed audience of between three and four thousands, seated indiscriminately at will in the pavillion on the beautiful lawn

The spirituals were sung principly. All went away rejoicing and still the the echo of praise resound.

Gulfside Recreational Center and Assembly Grounds was conceived and founded in the hope that Negroes of the Southland particularly might have larger opportunity and privilege of gathering occasionally in groups for educational, religious, cultural, recreational and social contacts outside their usual circles.

During its eight years of operation with a very small beginning, Gulfside has expanded its sphere of influence until today it reaches directly each season several thousand and indirectly many more persons of the race, touching nearly every phase and aspect of their social life.

Gulfside is an earnest attempt to provide a hither to unmet need in the life of the Negro in the far South Looking back over a period of eight years, the Gulfside Association feels gratified in the service it is rendering in its recreational, educational and health program. Particularly pleasing has been the response to the effort for better health, and it is thought that in this effort a direct service has been offered to the entire community life as well as to the church. The varied program of summer courses in education, religion, health and recreation has brought from eight to ten thousand persons a year.

Eight years ago Gulfside Association was but a dream of Bishop Jones, and the total assets were this dream and his leadership. Today you behold the partial realization of this dream in this magnificent front with twenty-five buildings which have been accumulated by the giving of sympathetic friends of the community round about.

Gulfside maintains a school for underprivileged and retarded boys. It permits a boy to work out his entire education which embraces nothing beyond the elementary grades and the rudiments of industry.

What we Really Need

By W. T. Gillispie, Agent For The Weekly Echo

One thing urgently needed among our people is a racial awakening. If we will only be aroused, we will find some of the causes for race backwardnesses. "The cause has long since been due to the lack of Negro leadership." All of us know that this is a common saying. ~~I do, to~~ some extent object the above statement. It is not all due to the lack of leadership, but we also lack co-operation on our part as leaders and followers. As soon as we begin to form companies and form capital and push different Negro enterprises, we will attract attention of other races. There must be competition and this competition must be honest and right. Why can't the colored people join themselves together, this one with $500.00, another with the same amount and another with an amount and build a substantial capital instead of trying to take $500.00 and compete with men of the other race who have thousands of dollars at their disposal. As a race our chance is weak. We cannot compete with the white man individually with his hundreds of years of experience, but if we will collect ourselves together, we will be able to do a good business. Think of the great money profit made from money spent by the colored people and we have no thoughts as to the results. It will be a great help to the race if we will be willing to organize and spend some of this money with ourselves. I don't say spend it all for the reason, the white man has helped and is still helping us, but the white man will think more of us as a race if we will unite our forces and capital in the right way.

Rev. M. T. J. Howard, Pastor of St. Paul M. E. Church Speaks on Learning From the past

The art of life lies largely in distinguishing the eddy from the stream. There are currents in human destiny that bears the world onward, not always in the same direction, but in spite of eddies, and turns, and shallows, it goes on. The wise man, the earnest man, the man of courage and conviction, strives while living in the present to live for somehting more; to see an ultimate object in life's work in harmony with a larger purpose; and to learn, from the past a wisdom that will enable him to pierce the mists of the future.

The difficulties and uncertainties in applying eternal principles to new conditions cause men eagerly seeking the same end to differ profoundly about the means, to be employed. And they prone to attribute to each other, a larger influence from self interest than is quite just. More is often due to personal association and experience than to conscious selfishness; and unusually neither apponent is altogether right or wrong.

Let me remark that good men, true men, men of high integrity can be found deliberately supporting the wrong side of any question. But I do not believe, that on every question either of community good, or of social welfare: Will every good man be found on the wrong side. It is both generous and good sense to assume the honesty of an apponent. Save in the case where a choice among men has to be made, the thing to be opposed is a wrong principle, idea, or, attitude not the individual, who is its advocate. To argue, not the principle involved, but the personal character or conduct of an antagonist is both bad logic, and bad morals. It is rubbing onions on the feet to throw the dogs off the trail. Often it is done from lack of clear thinking, but not seldom from temper or an attempt, to obscure the issue.

In the heat of controversy, we are apt to forget that a wholly insincere man is rarely very dangerous.

The important thing in the question, we are called upon to meet, whether controversial or not, whether in public affairs, in a profession; or in business, is faith that what we are ourselves, striving to do, is worth doing, and that we are doing it, by methods whos integrity will bear the test of time.

"The progress of great is due to countless citizens, clear in their judgment, on the problems they are called upon to meet. Firm in their conception of duty, strong in their faith that for ever, right is right and wrong is wrong, and steadfast, wherever fate may lead. In fair weather or foul."

Therefore, when you have done good, be not over anxious, that it be known. Not seldom, there is difficulty in accomplishing much, and getting the credit for it. The essential is the good done. The credit is a by product, which may or may not follow, and desire, therefore, often impedes the work itself. It is worthy ambition to desire to make in one's day and generation one's work for good, great or small. But the desire is not enough. It must also be directed aright. Progress and unselfishness means keeping abreast of new condition, and unending adaptation to new environments. Yet always with the same objective, the Eternal Quest, for the true and the just.

Before the last leader now baffling with question of the present depression, shall have passed away, the world will be very different from what it is to-day. A better world if men now leading, shall strive to adjust its changes, to the everlasting principles of right and righteousness.

TO THE ECHO READERS EVERYWHERE; LOYAL ONES

Because the requests of the Weekly Echo have met with a very liberal and satisfactory cooperation, insures your apporoval of our endeavour for which we express our highest appreciation and owe much gratitude.

Through our efforts and with your cooperation, we have been able to increase the number of carriers tremendously, thus giving more emploqment, rendering better service to put more papers into circulation, as well as money, to exemplify a more fraternal attitude and to cause a more friendly rivalry to exist. Again, thanking you all, each, individually, for your enormous support, which is essential to our growth. Our entire force and unlimited favors are at your disposal. With highest personal regards, we are,

Very gratefully yours,
The Weekly Echo,
F. L. Chalmus, Circulation Mgr.

Messrs Eddie Williams Tucker and Johnnie Porter will leave the city at an early date for Jackson, Mississippi, where they will enter Jackson College.

Miss Lena Peinlton left the city Tuesday morning for Pensacola, Florida, where she will spend the winter.

Mr. Wilbert Ford who has spent the summer visiting his mother, Mrs. Kathrine Johnson St. Louis and his father, Mr. Eli Ford of Columbus, Ohio, arrived to resume his school work at Wechsler.

The news has reached the office that lodge No. 411 is doing nicely. On the 28th of August Agent J. E. Durr visited this lodge and installed officers. The lodge seems to be on the upward trend.

We are very very sorry to receive the said intelligence from lodge No. 267, which states that Brother Wm. Chambliss departed this life on September 4th. He was a faithful member of this lodge and a deacon of New Fellowship Church. His funeral was attended from the New Fellowship Church with his pastor, Rev. M. J. Barlow officiating. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, eight children and a host of friends.

School Principal Warns Students Against "Black Cat Policy"

Principal T. J. Harris Warns Students

Prof. T. J. Harris, Principal of Wechsler High School of this city, warns the young men and women, who are in school, against playing what is known as the "BLACT CAT" in Meridian. He made the following statement: "I am not trying to interfere with your business. This is a matter over which I have no control, however, as principal of Wechsler, I feel that I owe it to myself, to my race and to my God, to warn you young women and men against playing the 'black cat policy.' I am convinced that it is high class gambling and though some of your mothers and fathers are playing the 'Black Cat', I must warn you against such, for it will eventually lead you in the wrong direction. I have been informed that some of the ministers are indulging in such. I do not know it to be true, and I hope that it is not true."

The editor was well pleased to hear a statement of this kind coming from Prof. Harris. I am thoroughly convinced of the fact, that we, as ministers, have allowed ourselves to be too silent on things of this kind with 90% of its patronage coming from members of the church. Some deacons, stewards, class leaders, Sunday School Superintendents and the like; all members of some churches, and, for the sake of a few dimes—which is our meat bread—we have kept quiet. There has been no attempt to ridicule or criticise the man and woman of the world, those who are not members of the church, but it is very alalrinmg when one sees so many of the so-called christians participating in such movements. It is no more than we could expect of the sinner, or a worldly person, but why should christians allow themselves to be found doing these things? The worldly man or woman tells the truth when he or she says that the church folks do thus and so. I believe that the people of the world have a greater influence upon the people of the church, the so-called christians, than the church people, or so-celled christians, have upon the world. The worldly man or woman will have respect for the church people if we allow them to. Again, we say, we don't criticise the sinner for participating in worldly things, we expect sinners to gamble. We expect sinners to go in the wrong direction. What do the sinners expect of us? Friends, I am thoroughly convinced that if a person will gamble his own money away, he will do the same with yours if he gets a chance. I believe that the ministers of the gospel, are, to some extent, held responsible for a large number of evils that our church members are now openly committing. Ministers, we must give an account of our stewardship. I am quite sure there are a lot of good people playing the BLACK CAT. They do not particularly mean harm, but they are lured away and they satisfy themselves by saying "Everybody else is playing the Black Cat, Why can't I?"

The news has come to the office that lodge No. 450 of Philadelphia, Mississippi, of which Mr. W. B. Howze is local president, is making rapid progress. The membership is increasing nicely and the members are all working in harmony with their energetic president, who is doing his very best to impart to them, the best that he has. It appears as if state Agent J. E. Durr paid a recent visit to this lodge and left the whole lodge with a new determination.

Rev. G. J. Williams, pastor of Bethelhem Baptist Church of Vicksburg Mississippi and of St. Marks Baptist Church New Orleans, Louisiana, was in the city Thursday shaking hand with his many friends, while en route to Atlanta, Georgia to attend the National Baptist Convention.

SCHOOLS OPEN

Announcements have already been made with regards to the opening of the schools in the city. As we near the opening of these schools, we naturally think of the conditions that now exist. We so often wonder why is it that the death rates among our people are so much higher than the death rates of the white people. Well, there is a large number of causes for this. Many colored children will suffer this winter, because of inadequate heating plants in the school rooms, poor ventilation, sloppy and muddy streets to travel over and no side walks. Children cannot escape pneumonia, colds, etc., being exposed to all kinds of conditions. It does seems to us that the streets and side walks leading up to our schools located in these backward sections, could be improved, and, let us hope that those in authority will sympathize with our children to the extent that they will see to it that the children will at least have dry side walks and streets leading up to these schools. There are those of us who will desire to take our children to school in cars, to prevent so much exposure, but if the streets are in the same condition this winter that they have been for the past years, it will be impossible for a car to get in two or three blocks of some of our schools. I think that our thinking men and women should respectfully call our white friends' attention to these conditions.

As a race, practically all of us have some white friends and if all of us will begin talking to our friends, they will become interested to the extent that something will be done. It is useless for us to believe that we can demand that something be done. It is useless for us to decide that we can make those in authority do things, that is the wrong way to start. The thing for us to do is to make sympathetic appeals to those in authority. Make these appeals in the right way and we will at least get some results.

Miss Bennie Mae Smith of Forest, Mississippi was visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cleo McClendon, 904 42nd Avenue, Monday, September 7th.

Miss Smith is just from Birmingham where she spent a week with friends.

Miss Laura Pierson, 22nd Avenue, is rapidly improving after having been seriously ill for a period of two weeks.

Does your groceryman advertise in this paper? If not—why not?

SOCIAL NEWS

Dean J. R. Reynolds of Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi, formerly of Haven Teachers College, arrived in the city last week. Dean Reynolds is prominent as an educator and inventor. He is an expert in the electrical line of work and has done jobs of every description in that work.

Mrs. H. W. White of Paducah, Ky., arrived in the city last week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Fikes, 1418 28th Avenue. Mrs. White is prominent in social, educational and musical circles. Mrs. White's many friends are glad to learn of her arrival, and while here they will do everything possible to make her stay a pleasant one.

ABOUT FOLKS WE KNOW

Mrs. W. C. Baity, 1512 28th Avenue, left the city a few days ago for Louisville, Mississippi. She will visit her husdand's aunt, Mrs. Eva Wheder. Najansda and W. C., Jr., wll accompany their mother on the trip, but regret very much to leave their father.

Mrs. Ed. Saunders, 3007 13th Street, writes that she is enjoying her vacation very much visiting her father at Melvidle, La. Mr. Ed. Saunders will motor there for Mrs. Saunders. Her many friends will be glad to greet her return. "The Weekly Echo is a wonderful paper" states Mrs. Saunders.

Agent J. H. Turner states that on Wednesday, September 2nd he visited lodge No. 330 of which Mrs. Rosa Scarbough is local president. It seems as if this lodge and its members are moving along nicely under the leadership of Mrs. Scarbough.

Friday, September 4th, he visited lodge No. 362 of which Mr. Moses Walker is local president. It appears that this lodge is reaching for the goal. It is reported that ther are 29 members in good and regular standing with local and general bodies. The members are all working with the local president in order to make things harmonize.

Miss Bernice Wilson left immediately after school closed to play for Wesley Chapel M. E. Church of Hickory, Mississippi, which Rev. Geo. Williams is pastor. She also played for the District Conference which convened August 19-26th at Hickory, Mississippi. She has returned home to enter school and also to take up her duty playing for the Junior choir of Haven Chapel M. E. Church.

Mrs. B. A. Booge was hostess of a party given to-day at 8:00 P. M. honoring Miss Katé Floyd, prominent socially, who left immediately afterwards for St. Louis en route for the university of Illinois; where she will extend her educational career as co-ed. Miss Floyd was accompanied by Mr. Johnnie Jack, "Robin Hood," Friday evening—and was he happy—during Miss Floyd's stay here Mr. Jack was the devoted and attentive one.

Music for the occasion was rendered by Messrs Grice and Maurice Welch, both prominent as musicians. Radio music was also enjoyed. This affair was very much attended and everybody was unusually happy, but that didn't last long with "Robin Hood" as he was seen later prominating and seemingly possessed with unhappiness.

The Emersons celebrated their family reunion at Traction Park, where a big picnic was enjoyed. Their honored guests were: Miss Lilliam Brown of this city, Mrs. W. H. Hearn of Louisville, Ky., Mr. Carlton Adams of St. Louis, Mo., and Mr. Rosser E. Emerson, a brother, of Jackson, Mississippi.

Misses Johnnie B. Mithchell and Annie Taylor left the city a few days ago for their schools. Miss Mitchell will teach at Quitman and Miss Taylor at Stonewall.

CEMETARIES

I am sure that a large number of our people, and especially the undertakers, regret to know that hard winter is coming, especially when they think of the fact that they must bury the dead. Somehow or nother, the colored people of this city feel that the streets and avenues leading up to our cemetaries should be looked after with more interest. We feel that those in authority should think of us and sympathize with us to the extent that these streets and avenues will be kept up, to the extent that they will at least be passable. We call your attention friends to these matters, in order that you may call your white friends' attention to these conditions and if their attention is called in the right way and manner, I feel that we will at least get some kind of consideration.

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Locals

Saturday, August 29th at 6:00 P. M., Mr. Stork visited Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Willis, 1803 30th Avenue. The results were ten pound of humanity and plenty of happiness. The new comer is named for its father.

Miss Dorothy Harris' recent return has added to the faculty of Wechsler High School, the city of Meridian, to society and espicially to Mr. Needham who was very ill prior to her arrival.

Mrs. Ada Turner of Memphis, Tennessee and Mrs. Annie Perry Johnson of Chicago are visiting their mother, Mrs. Pennie Perry.

Mr. Timothy Johnson 155th Street and 31st Avenue, has been seriously ill since his recent attack of malaria fever, Wednesday of last week. His many friends regret to learn of his illness and wish for him a speedy recovery.

Dr. L. F. Brooks and family returned Sunday, September 6th at 3:00 A. M. His many patients and friends welcome their return.

Mrs. D. V. Johnson has returned to the city after enjoying a very delightful week visiting friends, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Hendricks at Bailey, Mississippi.

Mrs. Annie Brown Lacy Bottom is doing fine after being confined to her bed for several weeks.

Mr. Tom Brown, 10th Avenue and 23rd Street, is doing fine after being ill for quite a while.

Miss Garrie Easly, 10th Avenue and 24th Street, daughter of Mrs. Laura Belle Easly is reported ill.

Mrs. Lula Pratt is leaving for Birmingham Sunday afternoon to visit her mother Mrs. Emma Coleman.

Mr. Jude Ware, 5th Avenue and 16th Street, is doing fine after being confined to his bed for several weeks.

Mrs. Helen Ulmer of Riderwood, Alabama, is visiting her sister-in-law and brother in Meridian, in order to be at the bed of her sick sister-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Wingate are making wonderful improvements at their store, which is located on 16th Avenue and 19th Street. For high class service, visit Wingate's Sandwich Shoppe.

On last Sunday night Miss Minnie C. was seen sitting in Rev. Roy L. Young's car and Mr. T. C. M. was on the opposite side casting a wishful smile.

Mrs. J. P. Reese, accompanied by Mrs. Fannie Eaton, with Mr. J. P. Pettus driving, motored to Atlanta via Uniontown and Montgomery. Mrs. Reese is pianist for the Cradle Roll Department of the National Baptist Convention and the East Mississippi representative. She is on the program to respond to the welcome addresses of her Department.

Miss Gladys Wilson, one of the popular members of the younger set, spent two weeks in Butler, Alabama, with relatives. She enjoyed her stay very much. She has returned home to enter school for the ensuing school year.

Mrs. Penny Price better known by Mrs. Penny Lewis, and daughter have returned to their home in St. Louis after spending a few days with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Author Lewis.

Mrs. Selvina Kelly of Rose Hill, Mississippi, left the city Monday. While here Mrs. Kelly was the guest of her daughter Mrs. Ida Bolton 3109 11th Street.

Rev. R. L. Young,
Editor of the Echo,
Dear Sir:

I wish to congratulate you and your official staff of the Echo for your untiring efforts in publishing a Weekly newspaper. I believe the Weekly Echo will fill a long felt want and need in our city and community.

Remember Rev. Young, that large oaks from little acorns grow. Though the Weekly Echo is young, let us as a race, lay our hammers aside, and altogether, pull for the Echo.

You have my co-operation and support. I am wishing the Echo a prosperous future, I am

Yours truly,
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EDITORIAL

This is the Third issue of the Weekly Echo. We have thought for sometime, that our people would appreciate a Weekly publication among ourselves. The officials staff is highly pleased with the splendid response that our people are making. Not only have they shown a willingness to give the local news of the various communities, but a readily response has come in buying a copy each week. The telephone has been kept busy by those who were anxious to give their subscription. It has has been kept busy by those who desired to buy a copy in order that they would have an opportunity to read and get the weekly news, for all of this we thank you.

We are doing our best to give you wholesome and enjoyable reading. We wish to thank a large majority of the ministers of this city for their support in contributing articles, announcing church services and words of commendation with regards to the Weekly Echo. Those who have not seen fit to join in with us, we wish to thank you. We feel that all of the ministers would if they could, and we thank whatever response shown by our ministers. Business and professional men have shown their attitude in co-operating with Negro enterprises. If a business man or professional man presents a good front, I am of the opinion that he is presenting his best self. If a bad front is presented, it may be bad, but that is its best self, therefore, all we can expect of anyone is its best.

Hungry Outsiders Invited to Stay out of New York This Winter

A few days ago while reading the Birmingham News I read an article in which out of towners, the unemployed and penniless are not welcome in New York city this winter. It appears as if the city will not be able to feed the hungry and drifting class of people. The article states that the city is making preparation to take care of 800,000 lodgers and to serve 3,000,000 meals this winter. This article brings to my mind the fact that the colored people of Meridian should begin in some way making preparation for the jobless, the hungry and helpless people this winter. Sometime ago, this matter was taken up in a meeting called by Prof. T. J. Harris and I think we need to urge that something be done I realize the fact that we will have to deal with some loafers who are always jobless and hungry when times are good or bad, and yet, we cannot afford to let the good suffer in order to punish the loafers.

OUR VISIT TO ST. LOUIS

Last week it was my privilege to spend a few days in St Louis, Mo., and after the business of our meeting was over, a friend of mine spent much time in taking me around over the city. From a general observation, I find that the depression is affecting all parts of the country. Not only is it affecting our country, but all of us know that this depression is affecting all countries. I was particularly interested in Negro business concerns. I was able to observe that a large number of the businesses operated by our people are on the decline. This depression is greatly affecting the world, and if one hopes to maintain his standard in the business world, it can only be maintained strictly through a business method. I should like to urge upon the local presidents that represent different communities for the H. B. A., to attend to the matters of your lodge strictly on business principles. Urge your members to pay their claims on time. Do your best to make a round report in the Boards that will begin about the 15th of this month. See to it that all members pay up in the Boards. Do not forget your $2.00 Echo and publication fee. Remember that something happens at the time that it is least expected. It is too late to pay up after you are dead.

H. B. A. NEWS

Lambert, Miss.,
Dear Editor:

We are glad to greet the Weekly Echo. It appears to us up in the Delta, that the H. B. A. is the best Negro business concern in the State of Mississippi. Our pastor, Rev. Rollie Lee says he will join the H B. A. in short.

H. B. A. No. 45 has a member who is very ill. Sister Della Ray is not doing so well at this writing.

We have made three members in our last meeting, and we have fifty applications to ballot on.

A. M. WALKER,
Agent and reporter

Porterville, Miss.,
Dear Editor:

Please give space in the columns of the Weekly Echo to mention a few words concerning the annual sermon of our lodge No. 354, that is located at Porterville. We have been reading about the wonderful work the other lodges and communities are doing, and I wish to state that our lodge had a glorious meeting at Cential Chapel P B. Church on August 30th.

A wonderful program was rendered. Some timely remarks were made by the Rev. F. L. Key of Porterville, also local president of lodge No. 95. We were more than proud to have our General President with us on this day.

SALLIE A. HARPER, Reporter.

Waynesboro, Miss.,
Dear Editor:

Give room in the columns of the Weekly Echo to say that lodge No. 288, located at Waynesboro, Mississippi, is still pressing forward. We are putting over a real program. Love, peace and harmony exist in our lodge. We have one member on the sick list in the person of Brother Joe West. We regret very much to learn of his illness and we wish for him a speedy recovery. The death angle visited our lodge and summoned sister Mattie Napier. Sister Napier was a faithful member of her lodge, and a christian worker of New Jordan Baptist Church.

She leaves to mourn her passing, a loving husband, Mr. Noah Napier, one daughter, Miss Lula Napier, three sons, Johnnie, Willie and Robert Napier, together with a host of friends. The remains of sister Mattie Napier were tenderly laid to rest with H. B. A. honors, in New Jorden cemetary with the Rev. P. D. Dixon officiating.

C. M. MAYFIELD, Pres.
VANDELLA MAYFIELD, Sec.

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Waynesdoro, Miss.,
Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 378 is moving along nicely, under the leadership of our new president, Mr. George Andrews.

We have added eleven members to our lodge since the July Convention. We had our General Chaplain, Rev. H. Ray, with us a few Sundays ago, and he preached our annual sermon. Those of you who know Rev. Ray know about what he can do with a sermon. We had a glorious time. We wish to extend to Rev. Ray a cordial welcome at all times.

MATTIE ODOM, Fin. Sec'y.

H. B. A. BOARDS MEET AS FOLLOWS

Tuesday, September 15th, Pinola, Miss., S. L. Walker, President.

Wednseday, September 16th, Collins, Miss., Handy Barnett, President.

Thursday, September 17th, DeSota, Miss., J. H. McLaughlin, President.

Friday, September 18th, Lauderdale, Miss., Mrs. V. T. Thornton, President.

Tuesday, September 22nd, DeKalk, Miss., C. A. Nelley, President.

Wednesday, September 23rd, Forest, Miss., Rev. M. Thomas, President.

Thursday, September 24th, Cliftonville, Miss., Claud Gavin, President.

Tuesday, September 29th, Richton, Miss., B. H. Seals, President.

Wednesday, September 30th, State Line, Miss., Edward Burley, President.

President A J. Barnett, of Hattiesburg, Mississippi sent in for three applications for new members last week.

President John Lawrence, of Lodge No. 442, Gulfport, Mississippi sent in for two policies.

President O. C. Thigpen, of lodge No. 260, Laurel, Mississippi, sent in for two policies

President J W. Hall, of lodge No. 105, Wiggins, Mississippi, sent in for one policy.

President G. W. Quincy, of lodge No. 146, Bay Springs, Mississippi, sent in for two policies.

President E. F. Young, Jr. of lodge No. 253, Meridian, Mississippi, sent in for one policy.

President B. J. Tatum, of lodge No. 263, Mt. Olive, Mississippi sent in for one policy.

President V. R. Chambers, of lodge No. 441, Biloxi, Mississippi, sent in for one policy.

Longstreet, Miss.,

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that our revival meetings have been in session for the last twenty-one days I am proud to report that 144 members were added to three different churches in twenty-one days. We have a wide awake pastor in the person of Rev. R. L. Lee and, we believe that he is a christian gentleman

JAMES LOPLEY, Reporter.

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EAST END SCHOOL

The East End School opened Monday Sept. 7, 1931 with the hope of making this year the most successful year in the history of the School.

Rev. R. L. Young made a very interesting talk to the faculty telling of conditions of other Schools he had visited and pledging his loyal support. He also gave some whole-some advices to the teachers.

The Teachers are as follows:

Miss Nettie M. Wobbington First Grade
Miss Fannie Dawson, First Grade
Miss Annie Curry, Second Grade
Miss Albena Smith, Third Grade
Miss Esther D. Thornton, Fourth Grade
Mrs. Laura Harris, Fifth Grade
Miss Emma B. Ivy, Sixth Grade

We have enrolled to date 363 children.

Owing to the crowded condition the children in first, second, and third grade must come to school in moroing and afternoon session.

The children and teachers were very much surprised on the opening day to learn that Miss Mary Earle Love would not be a member of the faculty this year.

Miss Love who is now Mrs. F. C. Anderson was for a number of years a very efficient and lovable teacher of this school. She is very much missed by the whole school and we wish for her, a long and happy life.

(Miss Emma B. Ivy.

SOUTH SIDE SCHOOL

The South Side School Opened Monday Morning September 7th. With a very large enrollment. The opening was attended by a number of Patrons and three minute talks from each. A program was rendered as follows:

Singing
Scripture Reading Rev. Elliot
Invocation
Singing
Piano Solo Miss Jannie Timmons
Reading Miss Annie Barron
Miss L. E. Emerson, Principal

Mrs. John W. E. Millsap of chattanooga, Tenn. spent three days in the city last week visiting her mother Mrs. Rosa W. Strayhorn.

She returned Sunday afternoon for her home. We were glad to have her back in the city.

Mr. Aaron S. Thomas, of Vicksburg, Miss., a student of Alcorn College was visiting in the city Wednesday Sept., 2nd. He and his two brothers who accompained him were guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Brown and their daughter Theron Othella.

Miss Theron O. Brown an aluminus of Wechsler who successfully completed her freshman year at Alcorn College will return to school to resume her work as a sophomore. She will make her departure Sunday Sept. 20th at 3:15 a. m.

The popular ladies contest was a success at St. James A..M. E. church sunday at 7:30 p. m. under the management of Mrs. E. Scott. Many musical numbers were rendered by the Rising Sun Quartet and St. James Choir.

Rev. W. H. H. Murrell, Pastor.
Miss Bertha Brantley, Reporter.

Miss Bertha Brantley and her band of singers have been asked to Broadcast again real soon, so watch the paper.

A large number of surrounding friends attended the funeral of Mrs. Mary Bolden Wednesday Sept. 9, 1931 at the church of God Holiness. The body was laid to rest in the Masonic Cemetary. Mrs. Bolden was a member of the Midwife and Nurses Association, and one of the best in the city.
She leaves to mourn her loss, a devoted husband, three sons and two daughters.

DEATHS

Meridian has lost three of her old citizens in the last two days. These were Mrs. Mary Bolden, Mr. Will Gordon and Mr. George Wimbley. Mrs. Bolden departed this life Sept. 5th. Mr. Gordon Sept 8th and Mr. Wimbley Sept. 9th. Funeral arrangemets will be announced later.

Mrs. R. N. Wade and her little son Rossie Strayhorn Wade of Jacksonville, Fla. are in the city visiting relatives.

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Roy L. Young, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 A.M.
R. W. Young, Supt.
Preaching 11:00 A.M. by the pastor. Subject: "Old time stuff handed down from the pulpt". 8;00 o:olock P.M. Sermon by the pastor. Subject; "There is a Black Cat on the line". Good music by the choir Mrs. Nettie M. Edwards, pianist. An ivitation is given to the public.

ANNOUNCEMENT

All H.B.A. presidents and their members are cordially invited to turn out with lodge No. 32 at New Prospect Church, 19th Avenue and 20th Street, Sunday evening September 13th at 3:00 o'olock. Come and enjoy a good program. This is the 17th anniversary of lodge No. 32.

B. Brown President.

It is reported that lodge No. 378 of Waynesboro, Mississippi, is doing nicely. It is reported that thirteen members have been added to the lodge since July ,and they have two applications on file for acceptance or rejection.

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Bassfield, Miss. Sept. 1931—Rev. E. F. Young, General President—Dear Sir:- Do you mean that we have on DISPENSATION and members are to join for 50c? 25c sent to the office and I retain 25c? Answer by Telegram. W. C. McLeod, President H. B. A. No. 57.

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The Eight Negroes In Scottsboro Case

Negro Foot-ball Season Opens Oct. 2,

Eight Negro Boys Convicted In Scottsboro, Ala.

Notwithstanding the wide publication of incidents relative to race disturbances in the State of Alabama of late, the Alabama Commission on Interracial Cooperation claims that the intelligent, thinking elements among the white and colored races in that State are working and living peacefully together, each race seeking the interest of all. The conviction of eight Negro boys at Scottsboro has become the subject of controversy throughout the whole country, but every indication is that the white people of Alabama desire to see full justice done these boys. The Interracial Commission of Alabama has recently appointed a committee headed by Dr. H. M. Edmonds, of Birmingham, to consider steps to be taken so that these boys may get the full benefit of the law through a review of their cases before the State Supreme Court. Although influences from outside the State are evidently being exerted to stir up feeling between the races, the outcome of present conditions is likely to be favorable. Alabama people believe in the administration of justice.

The above comment appeared in the Nashville Christian Advocate, September 11, 1931. The Advocate is a general official of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. We were in deed glad to read those lines coming from the pen of the widely known editor of the Christian Advocate. We are pleased to know that the interracial commission of Alabama has appointed a committee to consider steps to be taken so that these boys may get the full benefit of the law through a review of their case before the State Supreme Court. It is true that many outside influences have been brought to bear and it may be truthfully said that some harm has been done by outside forces, however, it may be said again, that some good has come, because of outside influence. It may be said that outside influences have caused our white friends in Alabama, and elsewhere, to become more concerned about this case. We are always opposed to any outside force or influence that will cause our people here at home in this beautiful south land, to become dissatisfied, thereby causing an antagonistic spirit to exist between the two races (the white and colored). I have always been of the opinion that differences arising at home can be better settled by those of us at home. I believe that foreign forces can easily stir up hatred, malice and prejudice. However, I do think that too often those in authority pay too little attention to matters of grave importance, and this may give rise to the interference of outside or foreign forces. I am of the opinion that if the Southern white man and the Southern colored man (I mean the better thinking man of each race) will stop and consider the rights and respect of each other, we will have a better land in which to live. No man understands the Southern colored man better than the Southern white man. No man understands the Southern white man better than the Southern colored man. These two races working harmoniously together can be the greatest asset to this land of sunshine than any thing conceivable.

Let us hope that the Alabama people believe in the administration of justice. Let us hope that the interracial commission of Alabama headed by Dr. H. M. Edmonds of Birmingham, will see to it that these boys will receive justice. Let us hope that the Scottsboro case will cause every man to think seriously before acting. Let us hope that in all of our Southern cities and rural sections, that those in authority will not be too hasty in any of their actions. We want it clearly understood that we do not uphold the members of the race in their wrong doings. Let each colored man exalt the members of his race to be law abiding citizens and let every white man remember that it is natural for us as a race to pattern after him. If in the event we find that this pattern will not do, it is our big job to try to make a better pattern, by which our destiny is to be shaped.

EAST END SCHOOL

The faculty of the East End School has invited those persons who finished since 1912 to be at the School, Friday night Sept. 18, for the ANNUAL HOME-COMING Party. A good time is expected.

The faculty wishes the public to know that only those persons having received invitations are expected and that no one will be allowed to loiter around the school premises, or cause any confusion whatever that may enterfere with the party.

P. T. A, NOTES

The P. T. A. of the East End School will hold its initial meeting at the school building Tuesday, Sept. 22, at 3:00 P. M. This meeting will be the GET-ACQUAINTED meeting at which time the social hour will be enjoyed.

The president will outline her work for the ensuing term wth the presentation of plans. All members are expected to answer present to the roll call.

A prize game will be played—for the correct answer a prize will be given and for the one fartherest from correct a consolation prize will be given.

The teachers will be hostesses at this meeting.

Mrs. Magnolia Johnson, Pres.

$10,000 SUM LEFT BY NEGRO BELIEVED POVERTY-STRICKEN

Tallahasse, Fla., Sept. 14—Joe Miller, aged negro handy-man about Tallahassee homes for 50 years, died here recently and his white friends thought his life had been one of dire poverty, but Monday it was disclosed he left $10,000 on deposit in a bank.

In addition, he left a bucket full of silver coins in his rude shack where he lived alone without household comforts—not even a bed.

His sisters will inherit his savings. They are looking forward to buying an electric refrigerator, a radio and an automobile.

Getting Started

By L. G. Cranford, Agent for
The National Benefit Life
Insurance Company

When one thinks of the thousands who have succeeded in life without even a ghost of a chance, we in this age of progress and success ought to feel ashamed. YOUNG FOLKS, are we discouraged? Do we fell that our lot is hard; that times are not as they used to be? Or that we have no chance? Let me urge that we stand up in the strength of our manhood, despite the depression that is facing the whole country, and resolve with all the power in our being that there shall be one more useful and successful set of men and women. There are thousands who never start out in life, because they are afraid they will fail; but it is better to start and fail than never to start. There are others who never start because they are afraid of falling down on the job. To those of this type, let me intreat you that the glory of man is not in falling; but in rising every time you fall. There was a time when men and women could acclaim great honors by being good alone. Let me say to you that the world is no longer calling for good men and women, but rather men and women that are good for something.

The oceans of prosperity have never run dry and a number of men and women boys and girls are swimming their way to success while thousands are yet standing on the banks of ignorance and superstition, shivering from the cold idle wind, instead of jumping in and becoming warm by their activity in the water. A start is to win half of the battle, and a start toward usefulness is one that man has never yet made in vain.

If we strike a thorne or rose, lets keep going. If it hails or if it snows, let's keep going.

Taint no use to sit and whine, when the fish ain's on our lines. We'll bait our hooks and keep on trying, and keep a-goin.

GO FORWARD

By Prof. G. M. Reese.

The above command was given to the leader of newly emancipated slaves. A people with a very meager knowledge of self government; for they had their masters to do their thinking for them in Egypt. Furthermore, this order was given to go forward at a very dark period in their history. At a time when some were wishing to be back in Egypt, toiling on the pyramids; taking the whippings of cruel taskmasters; making brick without straw, with a hostile army behind them, and a sea in front naturally the case loked gloomy, but the leader was told to speak to the people and tell them to go forward. This applies in a great measure to our group. 1st. We are a newly freed people. Oh! you say we have been free sixty or seventy years. True, but what is sixty or even a hundred years in the life of a nation. We cannot hope to, in sixty years, do what it took other races thousands of years to accomplish.

Secondly: We are now at a very critical period of our racial history. High schools and Colleges are sending hundreds of young men and women into the world. They have their degrees, but no jobs. Now the command to you, to me, to all our group—Go forward. Get together; put our money together; start something and give these worthy people something to do. We have no army behind, nor no sea in front as the nation of old, but if you will stop and consider a moment, you will see your handicaps. You belong to a so-called parish race. A race that others say only fit to be hewers of wood and drawers of water, and the worse of all, a race whose ideals are outside of itself. Speak to the people and tell them to go forward. True we have grumblers and fault-finders in our group, those attributes the earnest efforts of our leaders to mercenary ends, but should they stop? Should they sulk in their tents while the great battle of life is rageing? No, I say no, Oh! leaders, arise, and go forward.

Two Colored Men Follow White Friend In Suicide Act

PORTERS WORRIED OVER DEATH OF BARBER ALSO HANG THEMSELVES

Lexington, Ky., Sept. 8.—A white man's committing suicide by hanging himself was believed today to have caused two colored men, both formerly employed in the same barber shop with him, to take their own lives in the same manner, and within a week after his death.

Both men, Jim Brooks, 54, 161 Spruce street, and Ollie Duckworth, 17, 550 Breckenridge street, had been porters at the Lafayette hotel barber shop, and both thought a great deal of Cliff A. McKenney, one of the barbers at the shop.

McKinney hanged himself a week ago Sunday in the garage at the rear of his residence, 106 Lackawanna road.

He was to be buried Sunday afternoon. Sunday morning, daylight disclosed Jim Brooks' body, hanging with a rope around his neck, on a tlephone pole in Templeman alley, near north Limestone street. He had apparently been dead several hours.

Mrs. Mattie Page, 161 Spruce street, with whom Brooks boarded, said he has also shown evidence of being greatly worried about McKenney's death, and had repeatedly read the newspaper story about it.

She said Brooks, who had left the Lafayette shop and had lately been employed at another shop, came home Saturday night and paid his board bill, then borrowed a pencil from her. After his death a note was found, wrapped around 75 cents in coins. It said, "My insurance is due Monday. Here is the money to pay it."

Mrs. Page said she and her husband heard, Brooks when he helft his room some time Saturday night or early Sunday morning, but thought nothing about it. He had used a piece of rope which he had taken from the barber shop, police found upon investigation.

Both Duckworth and Brooks are known to have worried a great deal about the death of the white man whom they had known and liked. The former's foster mother, Mrs. Mary Duckworth, said today that Ollie had read a newspaper account of Mr. McKenney's death at least 20 times. "He seemed to go all to pieces," she said. "One morning he told me, 'Mother, I dreamed I saw Mr. Mac last night.'"

That was Wednesday, the day after Mr. McKenney's funeral. That afternoon, Duckworth went to a coal shed at the rear of his house and hanged himself.

An Old And Beloved Citizen Passes

LIVED TO THE RIPE OLD AGE OF 76 YEARS

Mr. George Mimberly,one of our old citizens died at his home las week on 14th Avenue between 19th and 20th Streets. He was a man whom the people honored and respected. He was very peacable and quiet. A man who would always speak his conviction, and yet, he would respect his friends' positions in all matters.

Brother Wimberly lived to be 76 years of age. Born a slave. He was one of the older type, who knew how to be friendly to all.

He was always jolly and full of fun. For sometime, he has been working at the Lamar hotel. Practically all of the children, both white and colored who lived along the streets that he would travel, knew him. They liked to play with him. They liked to talk with him, because of the jolly spirit that he always exhibited. Mr. Wimberly leaves a wife, Mrs. Hannah Wimberly, four daughters and four sons, together with a large number of grand children. The funeral was attended at New Era Baptist Church, of which Brother Wimberly was a deacon.

The ministers present were: Revs. J. L. Williams, N. W. Wallace, J. H. Nettles, J. L. Pearson, W. G. Wilson, R. L. Young, and R. H. Hill. Rev. Wallace spoke of the deceased as a christian. Rev. Young spoke of him as a neighbor, while Rev. J. L. Pearson assisted Rev. W. G. Wilson in eulogizing the deceased.

Beal & Strayhorn had the body in charge. The remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Masonic cemetary.

Miss Elsie D. Meadows has just returned from her vacation and has now resumed her studies in St. Joseph's High School. She spent two weeks in Birmingham, visiting her aunt, Mrs. Annie Johnson.

Don't Let Your Teeth Spoil Your Face

(By Dr. A. B. Blackwell, Dentist)

Good looks are very important to women, because they help to attain the desirable social position for which most of them strive. Good looks help women who need employment to get positions which are not open to women of unpleasing appearance.

A pleasing masculine appearance is of somewhat the same value to the young man, about to start in business as a pleasing feminine appearance is to the young woman; it makes employers prefer him to the young man of unattractive appearance.

When a salesman not well known tries to sell us something, do we immediately concentrate our attention on the propositions to the exclusion of the man? Consciously or unconsciously, we just form an opinion of him. He must sell himself before he can sell us his wares.

We look at the face so intently in forming our estimate of people because it and the hands look tired and sleepy and the face becomes prematurely old, but the pressure of chewing is brought on the front teeth and they are likely to be forced into displeasing or repulsive positions.

Restorations which become such important factors for achievement and success in the lives of people are made possible only by the great increase in professional knowledge and skill among dentists in recent years. Artificial teeth or dentures can be made to stay in place be comfortable and be fairly efficient in mastication. They are not equal to fine natural teeth in pleasing positions supported by sound gums, but they are unmensely superior to decayed or deformed or repulsive natural teeth.

Don't let your teeth spoil your face. Keep your natural teeth healthy and sound and pleasing if you can. If you can not do that, you need not hesitate to have them replaced with artificial teeth.

UNION BAPTIST

We the members of the Union Baptist church of circle C. want our many friends to know what we are doing. We are working together with our leader Mrs. Annie Bell. We held our meeting on the 11th at the home of Mrs. Birdie Brown. After the business part of the program was over we were served with sandwiches, chicken salad, lemonade and cake.

We are asking each circle of various churches to co-operate, and let the many readers know what they are doing by publishing it through our Weekly Echo paper, of which we are very proud of. Our next meeting will be held September 18th at the home of Mr. D. H. Watson.

Mrs. A. Bell, Leader.
Mrs. M. A. Trussell, Teacher.
Mrs. Berdie Lloyd, Sec'y.
Mrs. F. C. Cooley, Reporter.

The Senior Class of Wechsler High Schol was organized Monday, September 14th. for the 1931 and '32 session, with the officers as follows:

President—Mr. Leo Williams.
Vice President—Mr. Jessie Whitfield.
Secretary—Miss Louise Cranford.
Asst. Secretary—Sarah Wilson.
Treasurer—Arcola Brown.
News Reporter—Lola Johnson.

The Seniors of '32 are making splendid progress having already an enrollment of sixty-one and all have not registered.

Miss Dorothy R. Weston, chairman of the Social Committee, has announced to the class that on the twenty-fifth of September they will stage their first social at the school auditorium.

Each member of the class is looking forward to a very successful year. We are asking the aid and advice of each reader interested in the welfare of their younger girls and boys.

Thank you.

Miss Z. A. Anderson, Sponsor.
Miss Lola L. Johnson, Reporter

Wechsler Hi Black Cats Report For Practice

After having won the East Mississippi High School Football championship last year, the Cats hope to make a clean sweep of all opponents this season.

The Black Cats swung into full swing of practice Monday. After having lost four of their letter men through graduation last spring. Namely:

H. E. (Nox) Morgan, full back, E. (Blbo) Clay, end, C. (Hog) Brown, guard, L. M. (Foots) Cochrane, back. With the excepton of the men lost last spring all of last years varsity have reported for practice. The opening game of the season will be played October 2nd, at Traction Park vs. Forest High Bear Cats. The coaches Major and Smith are pointing toward their opening game which is followed by series of hard games. Namely: Stillman Institute, at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, October 9th; Lisman Ala. here October 16th; Lanier High at Negro State Fair, Jackson, Mississippi, October 22nd; probably Stillman, here October 30th; Hattiesburg High, November 6th; Forest Higt, at Forest, November 20th; Livingston here Thanksgiving day.

We hope that all Meridian will support the Cats in their efforts to bring fame and glory to Meridian. "Now ain't that a Cat."

C. L. Major.

RETURN PLAY

Having toured Mississippi since their recent engagement here, The Belton's Society Syncapators appear under the auspices of the Pythian Temple Committee the night of Tuesday Sept. 22 at 8:00 P. M. This is the last dance of the season. With added attractions and music of an unusual appeal this dance is expected to be the largest and best ever attended in Meridian.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE

Under and by the virtue of the power conferred upon me, as trustee in that certain deed of trust, executed by Mattie Nobles to secure the indebtedness therein mentioned dated December 24th, 1929, to the Meridian Building and Loan Association and the balance due of which was by the Meridian Building and Loan Association on April 9th, 1931, transferred and assigned to the Queen City Finance and Improvement Association, which deed of trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 182 at page 316 in the Chancery Clerk's Office of Lauderdale County, Mississippi, default having been made in the payment thereof, and being requested by the owner thereof. I, Lawrence McRaven, Trustee, will on the 5th day of October, 1931, at the West front entrance of the Court House in Meridian, Lauderdale County, Mississippi, during legal hours, sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, the following described lands to-wit:

The Center one-third of Lot One (1) in Block Twelve (12) of and according to Dearman's Survey of said City of Meridian; the same being otherwise described as Beginning 73.75 feet West of the Northeast Corner of said Block 12 of Dearman's Survey and running thence south 185 feet; thence West 73.75 feet; thence North 185 feet; and thence East 73.75 feet to the point of the beginning;

Together with all and singular the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging.

I will convey such title as is in me vested as trustee.

Witness my signature this the 12th day of September, 1931.

Lawrence McRaven, Trustee.
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H. B. A. NEWS

...R. A. B. ...MAKES ...SPLENDID REPORT

...Dear Editor:

...to inform you that I am on ... working for the grand old ... A few days ago I visited ... No. ... in Hattiesburg, Miss. ... Mrs. Mattie Nicholson is ... "Mrs. Nicholson and her ... are doing splendid work in ... for our Order. The mem... of this lodge seem to have splen... ...dence in Mrs. Nicholson as ... They know how to enter... ...agent.

... visited Mrs. M. E. Carey's ... at Lawrence, Mississippi. Mrs. Carey is gradually growing her mem... ...ship. They have a charter and re... ...ed and their purpose is to keep ...

... the Vice President.

H. B. A. LODGE NO. 139 TO CELEBRATE ANNUAL SERMON

Dear Editor:

This comes to inform the association at large, that lodge No. 139, with Mr. Jack Davis as local president, will celebrate its annual sermon on the third Sunday in this month at 3:00 o'clock. The General Secretary is going to deliver our address, and, we are expecting a glorious time. All who know him, know that he can de...

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I wish to thank you for your ... in the past. ... For these twenty-two years I have done my best as treasurer, for this body. I cannot say that I will do better, for I have never been short one penny, and it will be hard for me to beat that, and I hardly think it would be good sense for me to beat that. I am your servant, I. M. Martin, Vimville, Mississippi.

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EDITORIAL

Since the initial issue of the Weekly Echo made its appearance, the editor has had a large number of commendations with regards to the general reading matter. For all of this we wish to thank our many, many friends. Our good white people have commended our beginning, and it is our sincere hope and desire that this Negro Weekly will be an asset to our communities. A large number of the friends, of some of our contributors, have called my attention to the splendid articles that have appeared from time to time. So many encouraging remarks have come to us through letters, telephone calls and personal contact, that we give the names of some of those who have been spoken of so often by their friends: Prof. G. M. Reese, Principal of the Baptist Seminary; Prof. T. J. Harris, Principal of Wechsler High School; Miss Emma B. Ivy, Principal of the East End School; Miss Lillie Emerson, Principal of South Side; Rev. M. T. J. Howard, pastor of St. Paul M. E. Church; Rev. G. C. Borroum, pastor of El Bethel A. M. E. Church; Rev. J. M. Shumphert, pastor of Haven Chapel M. E. Church; Rev. P. F. Howze, pastor of 31st Avenue Baptist Church; Rev. O. W. Jones, Pastor of New Era Baptist Church; Mr. L. G. Cranford, a layman of St. James A. M. E. Church; Rev. D. L. Morgan, District Supt. of the M. E. Church; Mr. J. B. Bryant, layman of St. Peter M. E. Church; Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Jackman of the Zion Church; Mr. W. T. Gillespie a layman; Mr. A. O. Lattimer, District Manager of the Century Life Insurance Company; Rev. W. G. Wilson, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church; Rev. W. H. H. Murrell, Pastor of St. James A. M. E. Church.

The above named persons have contributed articles on various supjects. These articles have been written with care and common sense. It takes the people to make a real newspaper, and we thank those of you who have seen fit to give articles that would be of some benefit to our readers.

Mr. Fred C. Chalmus, Circulation Manager, is very appreciative to those who have contributed local news.

QUITMAN NEWS

SCHOOL OPENING BREAKS RECORD

Friday morning, September 4th, marked the opening of the 1931-32 session of the colored Quitman Jr. High School.

Promptly at 9:00 o'clock the faculty, student body, and visitors assembled in the main auditorium, where a very splendid program was rendered under the auspices of the P. T. A. There were two inspirational and instructive lectures made by the Rev. Jack McCree, pastor of the M. E. Church of Quitman and Prof. Thos. Blakney, principal of one of the Clark County Schools.

PROGRAM

Song "I shall not be moved"—by the school.

Scripture—Mrs. Estella Brown.

Prayer—Rev. Jack McCree.

Song—"I can hear my Savior calling"—P. T. A.

Welcome—Mrs. Eddie Marshall.

Response—Miss Johnnie B. Mitchell.

VOCAL SOLO—Mrs. Melvin B. Cartier.

Cooperation of P. T. A. with school—Rev. J. McCree.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. Corene Blakney.

What we should do for our school—Prof Blakney.

Presentation of Teachers—Prof E. Cartier.

The principal was presented with a very beautiful clock by the P. T. A. for the school use. Immediately after the program, the teachers and pupils assembled in their respective class rooms for registration.

There were 166 students to enroll on the opening day. This breaks all previous records for the opening in the entire history of the school.

THE FACULTY

Miss Mamie Barlow—Grammer School.

Miss Bertha Mae Walker—Intermediate and music.

Miss Johnnie B. Mitchell—Junior High, Athletics and English.

Prof. J. E. Cartier—Junior High and Principal.

We hope to make this one of the most successful terms in the history of the school.

Colored Men Pay More Than $450.00 In Fines

In a recent article in the columns of this paper I tried to call our readers' attention to the fact that the colored people of the city of Meridian, because of not obeying the law, were paying enough in fines and cost of court to pay two or three months salaries for policemen to watch after us. I scanned the Meridian Star last week, and I noted the fact that in one day, members of our race had paid enough in fines and cost of court to pay four men an average of $112 per month. In other words more than $450.00 was paid out by our people in one day. This was enough money to pay four men a salary of more than $112.00 for one month each.

A friend of mine and a member of my race attempted to justify our people in the wrong doings by asking this question: Why is it that so many colored people are arrested for wrong doings and other folks are not interfered with? My reply was this: We, as a race, are not justified in doing wrong things because other races do wrong. Let us forget about the wrong doings of other races and lets try to improve our own actions.

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H. B. A. HOLIDAY

Just look what has happened. A vacation for the H. B. A.s. This vacation ends January 1, 1932. My! My! what a big time the H. B. A.s are going to have! Rest! Plenty of rest to all local presidents and members. A little more than 90 days Drive for new members.

Joining Fee Is Now 50c

Twenty five cents is to be sent to the office for new policies. Twenty-five cents is retained by the local presidents. Ha! Ha! Isn't this a knock Out? Ha! Ha! Friends, the H. B. A. is good and gone. Ha! Ha! 25c to the president and 25c to the office for a policy. If you mean that give me your hand Take it brother. Who put out this news? Brother, I think you are mistaken. Just read below

Bassfield, Miss. Sept. 1931—Rev. E. F. Young, General President—Dear Sir:- Do you mean that we have on a DISPENSATION and members are to join for 50c? 25c sent to the office and I retain 25c? Answer by Telegram. W. C. McLeod, President H. B. A. No. 57.

TELEGRAM

DEAR BROTHER McLEOD: I Mean all you asked. — Rev. E. F. Young, General President.

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H. B. A. NEWS

STATE AGENT J. E. DURR MAKES SPLENDID REPORT

Dear Readers:

This is to inform you that I am on the field working for the grand old H. B. A. A few days ago I visited lodge No. 108 in Hattiesburg, Miss., of which Mrs. Mattie Nicholson is president. Mrs. Nicholson and her members are doing splendid work in Hattiesburg for our Order. The members of this lodge seem to have splendid confidence in Mrs. Nicholson as a leader. They know how to entertain an agent.

I have visited Mrs. M. E. Curry's lodge at Lawrence, Mississippi. Mrs. Curry is gradually growing her membership. They have a charter and record and their purpose is to keep their record in good condition.

I also visited Lodge No. 202 at Ellisville, Mississippi, with Mr. Henry Spell as president. I am of the opinion that Mr. Spell is not making a good leader for the people in his section. It was reported by several of the members that they had paid all of their assessments but these members are not reported to the headquarters. I notified Mr. Spell to meet me but it seems as if we will have to straighten this matter out through the Vice President.

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H. B. A. LODGE NO. 139 TO CELEBRATE ANNUAL SERMON

Dear Editor:

This comes to inform the association at large, that lodge No. 139, with Mr. Jack Davis as local president, will celebrate its annual sermon on the third Sunday in this month at 3:00 o'clock. The General Secretary is going to deliver our address, and, we are expecting a glorious time. All who know him, know that he can deliver the goods and is full of "Pep" and we don't mean black nor red pepper, but the plain old Negro "Pep."

The following lodges have been given special invitations: Lodge No. 9, D. B. Borders, president; I. English No. 69; R. C. Cole, lodge no. 125, Prof. A. T. Shadwick, lodge No 11, Tom Smith, lodge No. 70, Henry Davis lodge No. 33. We are planning to have a good crowd. Dinner will be served on the grounds at 2:00 o' clock. The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

Jack Davis, President.
Geretha E Davis, Sec'y.

NOTICE TO PRESIDENTS

The September Board will convene at Woodlawn C. M. E. Church, Prairie Point, Miss. The road is practically good all of the way. Come to Macon, Mississippi and take highway No. 45 and come to Exprairie. When reaching Ex-prairie (leave highway No. 45 to left) continue going east and the next place is Prairie Point. Go east for about 2 miles then turn north about the same distance, then tunr west the next place to be reached is Woodlawn.

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Mr. I.M. Martin, president

HOUSE HOLD HINTS
(By Miss Lillian Larkin)

PICKLED PEARS

Two pounds of cooking pears, one pound of sugar, one cup of water, one-eight cup of vinegar, several sticks of cinnamon, two cloves lemons.

Peel as thin as possible and core. Cut into quarters and rub with lemon juice. This will keep them from turning dark. Boil the sugar, water and vinegar with the spices for five minutes. Add the pears and cook until soft, but not mushy. Pack into sterile jars and fill with the liquid. Partly seal and process for one hour. complete the seal and allow to cool. Test for leaks, label and set away in a clean cool place.

RIPE TOMATO CHILI

Twelve large well ripened tomatoes, two onions, three green peppers, two tablespoons of salt, two cups of vinegar, one tablespoon cinnamon.

skin tomatoes in hot water and peel, removing the tough core. Chop the onion and green pepper fine. Mix and add the above ingredients. Put on a low flame and cook for one and one-half hour. Putup in sterlize bottles and seal.

BAKED STUFFED TOMATOES

Six large firm tomatoes, one cup soft bread crumbs, two tablespoons onions, two tablespoons green peppers, one-half teaspoon salt, one fourth teaspoon paprika, four talespoons butter melted.

Wash tomatoes. Cut out blossom ends. With spoons remove part of pulp, leaving cases. Mix rest of ingredients and stuff cases. Arrange side by side in small pan. Add half inch of water and bake 30 minutes in moderate oven. Baste several times during baking, arrange around fish after it has been placed on serving platter. Garnish with parsley and serve.

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Mr. Primtes Darden of lodge No. 434 states that their lodge is doing nicely. Their motto is "To push forward". It appears as if their local president, Mrs. Daisy Young is spareing no little pains to make this lodge one of the best in the Association. It is reported that they have on a special meeting for Saturday night to raise fund for their local treasury.

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Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
B. Y. P. U. 5:30 p. m. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

Sunday Sept. 13th was a high day at St. James. Pastor Murrell was at his best. Morning Subject; "Bartimaeus" Night Subject "Excuses"

Mrs. E. A. Murrell, Mrs. E. Tims, G. C. Borroum, Mrs. M. M. B. Thomas, Mrs. I. E. Fields, and presiding Elder Rev. I. E. Field left the city Tuesday morning for Jackson, Miss., to attend the opening of Campbell College and also attend the Conference branch Missionary Convention which convened in Pearl St. A. M. E. Church. Jackson Sept. 16-18, we wish for them a profitable trip.

Bertha Brantley, Reporter.

RED LETTER DAY AT ST. JAMES

Bishop William Decker Johnson, Presiding Bishop of the 8th Episcopal District of the A. M. E. Church will preach at St. James Sunday Sept. 20th. The service will be as follows:

11:00 a. m. Sermon by the Bishop
3:30 P. M A special program will be rendered by the best talent of the City.

Special address by Bishop Johnson.

7:30 p. m. Sermon by the Bishop

All the Ministers of the city and their Churches are invited.

Bishop W. D. Johnson the presiding Bishop of the sixth conferences of the state of Mississippi, will preach at Bethel A. M. E. Church Monday night Sept. 21st, is located in northwood. A special program will be rendered.

The membership of Bethel came together on last Thursday and completely remodeled the church for the coming of the Bishop the interior was changed to the extent that one would hardly recognize it being the same church.

The friend and members are asked to be present to witness the affair.

The pastor has asked each member to raise and report the sum of two dollars.

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Mr. Allen William, Jr., left Monday Sept. 7th, to attend school at Piney Woods, Miss.

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Everybody will be asked
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I quote from memory and may not have the exact words but this is the meaning: We pray and beseech thee? O God? that humanity, which has been weakened and corrupted by careless indulgence, may be restored through the voluntary practice of self-restraint.

There is the cause! in a nut shell and there is the remedy too, that prayer is centuries old. Human nature remains the same, and it is very evident it does not learn from its failures, for here we are again with that liturgical prayer applying to our present condition as if it were written around them.

In the simplest solution of the question, the cause is, living beyond our means both as individuals and as a nation, and the remedy must be to again live within them. Until this is done, there can be no effective cure. As to the effect I wish we could say there would come a time when the whole mistake would be blotted out. But since this crisis is sure to effect the trend of all econoic usages and conditions, the world will never be exactly the same as if it had never been.

Rev. G. C. Borroum, pastor Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church.

The following program will be [illegible] at Haven Chapel M. E.

Negro National Anthem
Mrs. Lizzie Boyd
[illegible], A Little Talk With Jesus
Reading Little Brown Baby Miss Elsie D. Meadows
Instrumental Solo, Miss Myrtle White
Co-operation of the Church and Sunday School on rally day
Mrs. Hannah Walk and Miss E. Moody
Duett, Misses Noble and Meadows
Reading, Mrs. Hattie Roberts
Song, He's Got His Eyes on Me My Lord.
Reading, Mrs. R. B. Davis
Female Quartett Mesdames Meadows, Lewis, Henderson and Gilespie.
An offering will be asked

Mrs. A. Meadows, Reporter.

SOCIAL NEWS

Mr. Wilbert Ford who recently returned from a visit to St. Louis where he spent the summer with his mother was tendered a surprise party on the night of Sept. 14, by his aunt, Mrs. Estella Lathaum. Punch was served the guests as they entered by Miss Carrie Kelly. Favors Pink and green were worn by the girls and boys numbering more than sixty, who enjoyed card playing and dancing until a late hour. Later a delightful ice course was served by Mrs. McCain, Mrs. Gairey, and Mrs. Lathaum. Music for the occasion was furnished by Miss Lorena Chatman, Messers Maurice Welch, Robert Merrel and William Hodge.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Cullum, Sr., 1700 31st avenue were host and hostess for an affair honoring Prof. and Mrs. S. J. Cullum, Jr., of Houston, Texas. Mrs. Cullum is an outstanding figure in the city of Houston for the promotion of the race. Two beauty Salons modernly equipped are under her direct supervision and ownership. These concerns make it possible for hundred of Negro girls to learn and render service in the beauty world for the Negroes yearly thus encouraging independent support and increasing the popular Marcel and Finger waves which are an asset to feminine beauty.

A lovely course of ice cream and cake was served following wonderful scenes of picturesque Houston There are three high schools in Houston and various other buildings which are sure signs of the Negro's progress in Texas.

This affair was very well attended. Among those present were Dr. and Mrs. L. F. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. James Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Watkins, Mrs. Dave Coleman and her son J. B. also the charming daughter of Mrs. Coleman, Louise. Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Blackwell, Mrs. Malissia Coleman, Miss Bessie Trotter, Miss Ida Mhoon, Jackson, Miss., Mrs. W. L. Mhoon, Jr., Mr. Fred Young, Miss Wilehemina Gore, Mrs. John Burwell, Mr. Fred Chalmus, Mr. James Crawford, Dr. R. F. Spears, Dr. W. H. Wilson, Mr. William Crockett, Mrs. J. P. Reese, Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Block, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Cullum, Misses Cleo Simmons and Sadie Needham, Mr. Charlie Saunders, Mrs. Mose Rimpson, Sr. and her daughter, Elouise.

Prof. and Mrs. Cullum left the city Thursday morning for their home at Houston. Prof. Cullum will enter school soon at Marquett in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. During his stay in Texas Prof. Cullum has been instructor in the College department of Houston.

Miss Adline Crowell of Butler, Alabama is the guest of Miss Nellie Knighton, 10th Avenue 19th Street. The following were guest of her Tuesday night September 15th:

Misses Therow Brown, Nannie Mae Crawford, Jannie Knighton, Mrs. Leon Johnson, Messrs. Earnest Freeman, Kermit Williams, Edward Singleton, Leon Johnson and Cornelius Brown.

Games of cards were played and enjoyed by all. After which sandwices and ice cream were served.

Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap.

Locals

Mr. Louis Hudson 3313 First St. who has been out of school for several years due to negligence, states that, "I will enter school this year with the expectation of doing good as I have already planned a hard study for this year."

Mrs. Margaret Frazier is in the city visiting her brother Mr. Robert Stroud. She will spend several days. Mrs. Frazier resides in Birmingham and has bee for six years.

Mrs. Beatrice Bryant and husband worshiped at the St. James Church Sunday Sept. 13 at 7:30 P. M. also Mrs. Fannie Harris was present for our worship.

Miss Ollie Mae Weston, 1610-29th Avenue, an alumnus of Wechsler High School, popular with the younger set and a prospective winner, left Sunday evening September 13th, for Tougaloo, Mississippi, where she will enter Tougaloo College.

Mrs. Lillie May, 1818-30th Avenue, who has been vacationing, returned a few days ago, being accompanied home by her daughter, Mrs. Beatrice J. Taylor of Cleveland, Mississippi. Miss Edith M. Boyd and Mr. Wlliam Holmes, Shaw, Mississippi.

Mr. Ed W. Griffin, noted singer, announces that he will fight anybody's bull with a 2x4 or a bamba fishing cane. All fights booked through this paper.

Miss Helen Delois Hamilton left the city Sunday, September 13th, for Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi, to resume her work as a senior. Miss Hamilton has been visiting in Mobile and other surrounding cities. While here she was a guest of Miss Jennie Ruth Scott.

Mrs. Tenslee Emerson left the city Wednesday, September 9th, for her home in Chicago, after spending six weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Easter.

Mrs. T. R. Smith 1609 30th Avenue, wife of Prof. T. R. Smith Coach of the Wechsler BLACK CAT SQUAD, returned a few days ago after having visited her parents in Jackson, Mississippi. Misses Angie and Lydia Bryant accompanied Mrs. Smith on her return also their daughters Gloria Helen and Edna Earle.

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Holton of 1423 31st Avenue and Miss Rebecca Hammond, mother of Mrs. Holton visited the old Hammond Home labor day.

They left the city early Monday morning on a one day motor tour going by the way of Hickory to Paulden, Mississippi, where they called on several of their friends for a short stay.

Miss Hammond had the time of her life, this being her first time within six years to her old home.

A big dinner was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brown. They returned by the way of Pachuta completing a lovely trip.

For the past two months the St. John Baptist Sunday School has been working in a financial drive. Every class is named for some model of a car, which is motoring to Cinnatti, Ohio. Each penny represents a mile. The class reaching the destination first will receive a prize. The public is cordially invited to witness the closing of the campaign Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The folowing program has been arranged for that hour:

Song by the choir.
Scripture—Rev. D. J. Jones.
Invocation—Rev. J. S. Bingham.
Song by the choir.
Opening remarks—Supt. B. Brown, Sr.
Solo—Mss Annie Lou Mosle.
Reading—Miss Brookie McNease.
Introduction—Prof. T. J. Harris.
Address—Mr. B. F. Hyde.
Quartett—Meridian Baptist Seminary.
Paper—Miss Janie Knighton.
Response—Mr. J. J. Smith.
Solo—Miss Julia Marie Moore.
Address—Prof. T. C. Tiggs.
Treo—Miss Ruby Hollaway and others.
Reading—Mrs. Ruby J. Davis.
Solo—Mr. J. B. Pettus.
Closing remarks by the pastor—Rev. D. Evans.

The following churches constitute the Meridian Circut.

Rev. G. C. Borroum, B. D. Pastor.

Bethel A. M. E. Church.
9;30 Sunday School Bro. Willie Stancil, Supt.
11 o'clock Morning Worship.
7;30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion service is the first Sunday in each month.

Trustee day is the third sunday at 11 o'clock.

Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church.
9:30 Sunday School.
11 A. M. Morning Worship.
7;30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion day, second sunday in each month. Official board is Monday night after the second sunday in each month.

Lampton Chapel A. M. E. Church. The regular pastoral day the fourth Sunday in each mouth.

The public is cordially invited to hese services in each month.

REVIVAL

Rev. R. W. Colins of Chicago will conduct a seven day meeting at the New Era Baptist church Sept. 27-Oct. 4. 26 Avenue and 12 Street. A chorus of more than one hnudred is expected to sing your favorite hymns. Your choir is invited to constitute this number. The public at large is invited to hear this splendid Evangelistic service. Local ministers are invited to preach at the New Era Church, Sunday Sept. 20 at 11:00 a. m. Attend our HIGH-DAY services come and worship with us.

Rev. O. W. Jones, Pastor.

Miss Annie Mae Sands is in the city again, after spending her vacation at her home in Gainsville, Alabama.

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Don't Let Your Teeth Spoil Your Face

(By Dr. A. B. Blackwell, Dentist)

A part of this article was left out last week. We reprint for the benefit of our readers.

Good looks are very important to women, because they help to attain the desirable social position for which most of them strive. Good looks help women who need employment to get positions which are not open to women of unpleasing appearance.

A pleasing masculine appearance is of somewhat the same value to the young man, about to start in business as a pleasing feminine appearance is to the young woman; it makes employers prefer him to the young man of unattractive appearance.

When a salesman not well known tries to sell us something, do we immediately concentrate our attention on the propositions to the exclusion of the man? Consciously or unconsciously, we just form an opinion of him. He must sell himself before he can sell us his wares.

We look at the face so intently in forming our estimate of people, because it and the hands are the only part of the person which unfailingly reveal the person. If the face shows good character and is reasonably pleasing, it dwarfs into comparative insignificance almost any bodily defects which accident or illness may have inflicted on the man.

The two features which dominate the appearance of the mouth, either open or closed, depends a great degree on the positions of the teeth. If those positions are good, the expression of the lips when the mouth is closed will be pleasing, and when the mouth is open the teeth, if fairly well kept, will light up the whole face.

If the positions of the teeth are not good they may cause the mouth to look weak or old or mean even when the lips are opened they may in extreme cases, make the mouth so repulsive that it becomes unsumountable barrier to success.

The back teeth influenced the position of the front teeth. If the back teeth are missing, not only do the cheeks fall in and the eyes look tired and sleepy and the face become prematurely old, but the pressure of chewing is brought on to the front teeth and they are likely to be forced into displeasing or repulsive positions.

Restorations which become such important factors for achievement and success in the lives of people are made possible only by the great increase in professional knowledge and skill among dentists in recent years. Artificial teeth or dentures can be made to stay in place be comfortable and be fairly efficient in mastication. They are not equal to fine natural teeth in pleasing positions supported by sound gums, but they are unmensely superior to decayed or deformed or repulsive natural teeth.

Don't let your teeth spoil your face. Keep your natural teeth healthy and sound and pleasing if you can. If you can not do that, you need not hesitate to have them replaced with artificial teeth.

Heaven Bound

HISTORY OF PLAY

Religion has led the Negro of the U. S. A. as it led John Bunyan, to regard life as a pilgrimage, through many pitfalls for gay reward. This is the import of his religion as exemplified in his spirituals as presented in "Heaven-bound," a play that is part pageant, part revival meeting and part spiritual charade. This play originated in a dream of a hard working laundress of Jacksonville, Fla. It has been played in colored and white churches of Atlanta. This play will be presented under the auspices of the Meridian Baptist Seminary. Mrs. J. P. Reese, Directress, assisted by some of the best talent in the city and state, some time in October. We are indebted to our white friends who have given us words of encouragement and urged us to go on.

Miss Mattie D. Dobbs, prominent socially and a prospective business lady left Monday, September 21st, 8:30 A. M. for Memphis, Tenn., to enter the Henderson Business College. Miss Dobbs is expected to complete her secretarial course soon.

Her many friends and acquaintances regret her departure very much, and wish for her a most successful and happy stay in Memphis.

The Disunion Of Churches Accounts For Negro Preacher In Politics Asserts

CARTER G. WOODSON, ONE OF THE GREATEST HISTORIANS OF THE RACE

We may not agree with all that Mr. Woodson has to say along these lines, but this article is due much consideration. The Weekly Echo believes that there are really too many churches among our people. It may be truthfully said that we have anywhere from 35 to 45 colored churches in the city of Meridian, and I do not know of one church in this city that is giving the pastor a decent salary upon which to live.

We should not criticize the members of these various churches for a lack of support, but rather we, as ministers, should be criticized for having so many churches in a small town such as Meridian. Most of us are always begging and can hardly do any better. I do not wish to impress the public that churches should not be helped, but I fear that there are too many of us that are really liabilities to the public.

The Negro Methodist preacher is loaded down with the burden of dollar money, church debt, the education fund, and the like; and the Baptist minister must eke out an existence with a small congregation or with a large one under a heavy mortgage in taking over an abandoned white church building while straining to help charitable establishments, missions, and schools. While in this strait there comes along a politician who has compassion on the chosen of the Lord and makes a much needed donation. A few weeks thereafter this political boss calls on the pastor to request that he speak a good word for him in the forthcoming election; and feeling obligated to him, the minister and his congregation endorse the man for office, although the politician is known to be one of the most disreputable characters in town. He is a jolly good fellow now, however, because he is giving the church aid, and thus the cause of the Lord prospers in the land of Bashan.

Sometime the politicians make more direct contact with the church. In one of our large cities, in which an election was recently held, the outstanding Negro preachers were bought up for a small sum. While one of our noted national figures at the head of a secret society was paid $250 for going into this local campaign and a Negro national politician known to fame for selling out in National Republican Conventions was paid the same amount, ten local Negro preachers were paid only $25 each and a politically dull Presbyterian minister was paid only $7. This is the worth of the Negro locally and nationally and at the same time the white man's appraisal of men who preach to you and me. It is little wonder, then, that whites do not want Negro churches in their communities.

Here and there you will find reputable ministers of all denominations objecting to such methods, but they are in the minority. This participation in politics has gone to the extent that durng the campaigns these ministers not only open their doors for political meetings during the week, but they abandon preaching temporarily on Sunday to express their preference for the candidates and the issues which they bring before the public. Not always, however, does the pastor get the pay for such services. Sometimes an officer is sufficiently influential with the pastor to induce him to speak the word to the congregation, and the pay goes to the mediator between the innocent and the corrupt.

It does not look encouraging, however, that often the loudest complaints against this participation in politics come from the laity. Ministers of high character too readily become silent on a matter of this kind, thinking that they are under fire. Most of the objections to Carey's machine came from men in the common walks of life. His co-workers in the higher spheres of the denomination had little to say. In the case of a political deal it seems an easy matter to convince our higher clergy that things wrong are all right.

I am not so narrow, however, as to say that under no circumstances should the Negro preacher take a part in politics. I do not think that he should be restricted to any particular sphere. The place of the preacher is any place which he has enough brains and character to fill. In the case of a crusade against a terrible evil a minister is justified in taking an active part in politics as did certain Negro churches in Ohio last year when, in spite of offers of money from the Republican bosses, they held mass meetings and stirred up the Negroes sufficiently to defeat for the United States Senate the man who voted for the confirmation of John J. Parker for the Supreme Court after he had been informed that the appointee did not believe that Negroes should exercise the functions of citizens. In like manner we must justily the leadership of the Negro ministers of Reconstruction days, who assumed control in that crisis to teach the freedmen how to use their ballots to prevent their re-inslavement which had been worked out in the black codes.

C. G. Woodson.

PROGRAM

Lowest Bible Class, Sunday, September 27th at Calvalry Baptist Church at 6:00 P. M.

Negro National Anthem, by Mrs. M. B. Key.
Scripture Lesson—Rev. L. C. Coleman.
Invocation—Rev. C. M. Mathew.
Anthems—A. M. Davis.
Addess—M. E. Jenkins.
Hymn—Mrs. Alice Watkins.
Events of the Bible—W. C. Davis and Lucilla People.
117th Psalm—Annie Louise Johnson.
Beatitude—Mary Alice Pearson.
23rd Psalm—Mary Alice Warner.
The Old and New Testament—Zelma Adams and W. M. Hodges.
Quartett—Lowest Bible Class Girls.
12th. Chapter of Eccl.—Susie B. Warner.
87th Psalm—Virginia Ruffin.
2nd Chapter of Solomon—Velma Knighton.
Solo—M. M. Hodges.
The lowest Bible class and its meaning—Rev. W. G. Wilson.
122nd Psalm—Willia Mae Moore.
Master of ceremonies—Supt., S. L. Moore.
Pres.—M. E. Jenkins.
Sec'y—A. M. Davis.
Instructor—Mrs. Alice Watkins.
Pastor—Rev. L. C. Coleman.
Sunday School—9:30 A. M.
B. Y. P. U.—5:00 P. M.—W. M. Cross, Pres.

EAST END SCHOOL

The home coming party of the East End school was highly enjoyed by all who attended.

Miss Hortense Hancock played for the occasion. The music rendered by her was highly enjoyed, especially by those who "Tripped the light fantastic toe".

The faculty was very pleased to welcome the following ex-pupils home once more: Mesdames Inez Greenwood Woodards, Mary Earle Love Anderson, Melvin Collins Cole, Hannah Jones Basley, Jessie Whitehead Johnson and Lillian Bryant Moffet. Misses Janie and Nellie Knighton, Mary Woodards, Beatrice Beck, Theron and Evelyn Brown, Wysingle McGee, Thelma Coleman, Symerial McCarty, Gladys and Bernice Wilson, Lorena Chatman, Mattie Lois Hicks, Doris Stewart, Ophelia Mason, Annie Louise Calhoun, Annel Irvin, Edna Mae Hill, Kathrine Loyd, Myrtle White, Minnie Pearl Walk, Janie Terry, Geneva Hopson, Annie Belle Lewis, Magalene Abney, Annie Mae Chappel, Elnora Finley, Thelma Harrison, Rosie Mae Jones, Verdie Mae McDonald and Margret Stennis.

Messers Olice Brown, Edward Singleton, Nathaniel and Jobe Rodes, Brooker Bingham, Lee Marcus Cochran, Cornelius Brown, Otis Hopson, John Ed Morris, Otis Hopson, William Scott, Edward Nun, Slater Evans, Printess Billups, Johnny Coleman, Jr., Eddie Lee McGown, Herman Mixon and William Russell.

Messers J. J. Smith, Lawrence Moffett, and Armstead Johnson were the invited guest.

Owing to sickness the following were unable to attend, but sent an excuse:

After the roll was called by the secretary, Miss Ivy introduced the new teacher, Miss Albena Smith. Mrs. Celia Wilson introduced the visitors who were Mesdames Mary Hollie and Mattie Bell.

A delightful social hour was enjoyed by all present. The following games were played:

Keep The Ball Rolling—Directed by Miss Thornton. The most nimble lady is this game was Mrs. Bessie Moseley.

The Bottle Spin—Directed by Mrs. Harris. The most embarrassed lady was Mrs. Celia Wilson.

Two games were directed by Miss Ivy. First, The Widow's Cat. The quickest thinker in this game was Miss Wobbington. The second game was a very interesting one, namely, The Alliteration Contest. The most brilliant lady was name omitted.

The monthly gase was directed by Miss Wobbington—A Popularity Contest. The first prize was won by Mrs. Ruth Gilbert as being the most popular lady present. A consolation prize was give Mrs. Octavia Cockran as being the most un-popular lady.

Mrs. Johnnie Falkner Davis. Misses Delphine Stewart, Eloise Dandy and Ora . Brantley.

At 11:00 o'clock the party closed, all went home happy and hoping to be present next year.

After a dainty ice course was served, the meeting adjoined to meet the fourth Tuesday in October.

The P. T. A. of the East End School met Tuesday, September 22nd, 1931 at 3:00 o'clock. On account of death in the president's family, the ex-president presided. This being a get acquainted meeting, there was no special topic discussed.

CLUB NOTES

The Ladies' Home Mission of the New Prospect Baptist Church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Gordan, Lacy Botton, September 18th. After the session a lovely course of chicken salad, lemonade and cake was served.

Mrs. Monroe Criss aided in service for the club. The date of next meeting is September 25th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Criss 8th Avenue and 22nd Street, Slaughters Quarter.

Meridian, Miss.,
Dear Alumni:

This Appeal comes to you in behalf of our school; the old place where we spent so many happy days together; the old place that should have a very dear place in our hearts.

The time has come that we should do something for our ALMA MATER in lieu of depending upon others to do everything. This time is truly here and we should readily awaken to the sense of our duty.

We are not asking for money, but we are asking that you meet with us and help us formulate some plans by which to raise money and do constructive work for your ALMA MATER. Tuesday, September 29th at 7:30 P. M., at the Meridian Baptist Seminary Auditorium. Let us show the world that one group of Negroes can work together.

Hoping to see you on the above named date we are

Sincerely yours,
William Crockett, '26 Pres.
Hattie Q. Needham, '27 Sec.

Echo Readers,
Dear Ones:

With one thought—to properly serve you we are requesting readers, present and future, friends and especially those desirous for appearance of news of any or all descriptions through columns of the Weekly Echo.

In writeups (News sent for publication) please give persons full name, addresses, date of happenings, time, actions taken and length of stay if on a visit. Make as short as possible.

Thanking you in advance for this courtesy, and striving to serve you better, we are,

Gratefully yours,
THE WEEKLY ECHO.

The beautiful and popular Miss Josephine Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Walker, 2910 19th St., and Mr. Leemark McClendon, happily set sail on the sea of matrimony Tuesday, September 22nd, at 8:00 P. M. at the home of the bride's parents, with the Rev. Will Lou officiating. The lovely bride was attired with a sky blue Chiffon dress without veil and carried a beautiful bridal bouquet of pink roses and fern. The groom wore brown and was neatly attired also. Miss Arcola Brown and Mr. James Evans served as brides maid and best man. The affair was well attended with numerous relatives and friends present. Phonographic music was furnished.

In Memory

Mrs. Lucile L. White on Saturday, September 26th, 1925 standing by the river closed her weary eyes in Jesus' arms. She layed down a lovely jewel for His Crown. Jesus clothed you in a robe of white to beautify immortal sight, He took you to the sky. God gave you only a short life, but we know you laid your treasures for away from earthly strifes. Others now treading your path—a new voice fill the walls your place in the home is vacant, which never can be filled. How we miss you dear. How we long for you again, but you have passed over Jordan and left us very lonely. Some sweet day by and by we will meet with you in the home above. "Where we shall never grow old".

Sadly missed by Messrs. H. D. White, H. L. White, Jr., and William Lewis; Misses Bessie L. Edwards and Margarett L. White; Mesdames Willa M. Lewis Jones and Georgia A. Harris.

HEAR WECHSLER'S FACULTY IN A MUSIC RECITAL, MON. SEPT. 28, 8 P. M. SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Ensemble ...."Good Evening"
Hallelujah Chorus—Handel
Selection ....Male Quartett
Messrs: Fagan, Reed, Smith, Cochran
Soprano Solo..Wayfarer's Night Song Marten
Mrs. Fannie Eaton
Reading ...."Whistling Sam"....Dunbar
Mrs. V. B. Block
Male Chorus—Soprano & Tenor Obligato Il Trovatore ....Parks
Miss Anderson, Mr. Fagan and chorus.
Bass Solo...Invictus...Mr. J. B. Pettus
Female Chorus...."Rosary", "Mammy's Lil' Boy"
Misses Reese, Anderson, Sims, Thompson, Sims and Varnado
Selection...St. Paul M. E. Church Choir
Aesthetic Dances
Indiana Selections in Costume...."Pale Moon"...Miss Alma L. Reese "By The Waters of Minnetonka," "Indian Love Call'
Misses Reese, Anderson and Varnado
Spirituals...."King Jesus Is A Listening" "Swing Low Sweet Chariot"
Spirituals...."Joshua Fit De Battle"
ContraltoSolo ...."Until"...Miss Pearl Varnado
Dialect Reading—Miss Zee Alfin Anderson.
Piano Solo—Mrs. Johnnie P. Reese.
Ensembel......"Sextet From Lucia"

The sophomore class section B. of the Wechsler High School announces the organization of their class. Officers are as follows: Mr. N. W. Campbell, Pres.; Mr. John Morris, Vice Pres.; Miss Bernice Wilson, Sec.; Miss Grace Parker, Asst. Sec.; Miss Pearl Varnado, Treas.; Mr. Sidney High, Bus. Mgr.; Miss Magnolia E. Sims, Chairman of the social committee.

The sophomore class is looking forward to a successful year, and asking all to cooperate with us in our endeavors.

Prof. and Mrs. S. J. Cullum, Jr. returned to their home Houston, Texas, last week after having spent a very pleasant week with the parents of Prof. Cullum.

Mrs. S. J. (Lola) Cullum, Jr. made numerous acquaintances while during her stay here, and impressed every one that met her.

A Surprise Birthday party was given at home of Mrs. Fannie Brantley Wed. Sept. 16 honoring Miss Bertha Brantley. All kind of games were played. Green, pink and white mints were served alphabetically.

Mrs. M. L. Simon was hostess. A second course of cake and fruit cocktail was served. Miss Bertha Brantyel arrived at 10:30 P. M. from practice and was surprised to see so many friends present and having such a lovely time and the many gifts presented her. Miss Brantley wants the public to know that she is still receiving gifts.

Miss Dora Brantley is not working this week due to illness.

"The Word Was Made Flesh"

(ENCARNATED CHRISTIANITY)

By Rev. W. G. Wilson

It was not enough for God to be God, the Lord of life, heaven and earth in spirit only. His very attributes forced him nearer to humanity than His Infinite nature really makes Him. Too much love, and mercy, and smypathy were enfolded in His divine nature, for Him to stay so far away.

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Don't Let Your Teeth Spoil Your Face

(By Dr. A. B. Blackwell, Dentist)

A part of this article was left out last week. We reprint for the benefit of our readers.

Good looks are very important to women, because they help to attain the desirable social position for which most of them strive. Good looks help women who need employment to get positions which are not open to women of unpleasing appearance.

A pleasing masculine appearance is of somewhat the same value to the young man, about to start in business as a pleasing feminine appearance is to the young woman; it makes employers prefer him to the young man of unattractive appearance.

When a salesman not well known tries to sell us something, do we immediately concentrate our attention on the propositions to the exclusion of the man? Consciously or unconsciously, we just form an opinion of him. He must sell himself before he can sell us his wares.

We look at the face so intently in forming our estimate of people, because it and the hands are the only part of the person which unfailingly reveal the person. If the face shows good character and is reasonably pleasing, it dwarfs into comparative insignificance almost any bodily defects which accident or illness may have inflicted on the man.

The two features which dominate the appearance of the mouth, either open or closed, depends a great degree on the positions of the teeth. If those positions are good, the expression of the lips when the mouth is closed will be pleasing, and when the mouth is open the teeth, if fairly well kept, will light up the whole face.

If the positions of the teeth are not good they may cause the mouth to look weak or old or mean even when the lips are opened they may in extreme cases, make the mouth so repulsive that it becomes unsumountable barrier to success.

The back teeth influenced the position of the front teeth. If the back teeth are missing, not only do the cheeks fall in and the eyes look tired and sleepy and the face become prematurely old, but the pressure of chewing is brought on to the front teeth and they are likely to be forced into displeasing or repulsive positions.

Restorations which become such important factors for achievement and success in the lives of people are made possible only by the great increase in professional knowledge and skill among dentists in recent years. Artificial teeth or dentures can be made to stay in place be comfortable and be fairly efficient in mastication. They are not equal to fine natural teeth in pleasing positions supported by sound gums, but they are unmensely superior to decayed or deformed or repulsive natural teeth.

Don't let your teeth spoil your face. Keep your natural teeth healthy and sound and pleasing if you can. If you can not do that, you need not hesitate to have them replaced with artificial teeth.

Heaven Bound

HISTORY OF PLAY

Religion has led the Negro of the U. S. A. as it led John Bunyan, to regard life as a pilgrimage, through many pitfalls for gay reward. This is the import of his religion as exemplified in his spirituals as presented in "Heaven-bound," a play that is part pageant, part revival meeting and part spiritual charade. This play originated in a dream of a hard working laundress of Jacksonville, Fla. It has been played in colored and white churches of Atlanta. This play will be presented under the auspices of the Meridian Baptist Seminary. Mrs. J. P. Reese, Directress, assisted by some of the best talent in the city and state, some time in October. We are indebted to our white friends who have given us words of encouragement and urged us to go on.

Miss Mattie D. Dobbs, prominent socially and a prospective business lady left Monday, September 21st, 8:30 A. M. for Memphis, Tenn., to enter the Henderson Business College. Miss Dobbs is expected to complete her secretarial course soon.

Her many friends and acquaintances regret her departure very much, and wish for her a most successful and happy stay in Memphis.

The Disunion Of Churches Accounts For Negro Preacher In Politics Asserts

CARTER G. WOODSON,
ONE OF THE GREATEST
HISTORIANS OF THE RACE

We may not agree with all that Mr. Woodson has to say along these lines, but this article is due much consideration. The Weekly Echo believes that there are really too many churches among our people. It may be truthfully said that we have anywhere from 35 to 45 colored churches in the city of Meridian, and I do not know of one church in this city that is giving the pastor a decent salary upon which to live.

We should not criticize the members of these various churches for a lack of support, but rather we, as ministers, should be criticized for having so many churches in a small town such as Meridian. Most of us are always begging and can hardly do any better. I do not wish to impress the public that churches should not be helped, but I fear that there are too many of us that are really liabilities to the public.

The Negro Methodist preacher is loaded down with the burden of dollar money, church debt, the education fund, and the like; and the Baptist minister must eke out an existence with a small congregation or with a large one under a heavy mortgage in taking over an abandoned white church building while straining to help charitable establishments, missions, and schools. While in this strait there comes along a politician who has compassion on the chosen of the Lord and makes a much needed donation. A few weeks thereafter this political boss calls on the pastor to request that he speak a good word for him in the forthcoming election; and feeling obligated to him, the minister and his congregation endorse the man for office, although the politician is known to be one of the most disreputable characters in town. He is a jolly good fellow now, however, because he is giving the church aid, and thus the cause of the Lord prospers in the land of Bashan.

Sometime the politicians make more direct contact with the church. In one of our large cities, in which an election was recently held, the outstanding Negro preachers were bought up for a small sum. While one of our noted national figures at the head of a secret society was paid $250 for going into this local campaign and a Negro national politician known to fame for selling out in National Republican Conventions was paid the same amount, ten local Negro preachers were paid only $25 each and a politically dull Presbyterian minister was paid only $7. This is the worth of the Negro locally and nationally and at the same time the white man's appraisal of men who preach to you and me. It is little wonder, then, that whites do not want Negro churches in their communities.

Here and there you will find reputable ministers of all denominations objecting to such methods, but they are in the minority. This participation in politics has gone to the extent that durng the campaigns these ministers not only open their doors for political meetings during the week, but they abandon preaching temporarily on Sunday to express their preference for the candidates and the issues which they bring before the public. Not always, however, does the pastor get the pay for such services. Sometimes an officer is sufficiently influential with the pastor to induce him to speak the word to the congregation, and the pay goes to the mediator between the innocent and the corrupt.

It does not look encouraging, however, that often the loudest complaints against this participation in politics come from the laity. Ministers of high character too readily become silent on a matter of this kind, thinking that they are under fire. Most of the objections to Carey's machine came from men in the common walks of life. His co-workers in the higher spheres of the denomination had little to say. In the case of a political deal it seems an easy matter to convince our higher clergy that things wrong are all right.

I am not so narrow, however, as to say that under no circumstances should the Negro preacher take a part in politics. I do not think that he should be restricted to any particular sphere. The place of the preacher is any place which he has enough brains and character to fill. In the case of a crusade against a terrible evil a minister is justified in taking an active part in politics as did certain Negro churches in Ohio last year when, in spite of offers of money from the Republican bosses, they held mass meetings and stirred up the Negroes sufficiently to defeat for the United States Senate the man who voted for the confirmation of John J. Parker for the Supreme Court after he had been informed that the appointee did not believe that Negroes should exercise the functions of citizens. In like manner we must justily the leadership of the Negro ministers of Reconstruction days, who assumed control in that crisis to teach the freedmen how to use their ballots to prevent their re-inslavement which had been worked out in the black codes.

C. G. Woodson.

PROGRAM

Lowest Bible Class, Sunday, September 27th at Calvalry Baptist Church at 6:00 P. M.

Negro National Anthem, by Mrs. M. B. Key.
Scripture Lesson—Rev. L. C. Coleman.
Invocation—Rev. C. M. Mathew.
Anthems—A. M. Davis.
Addess—M. E. Jenkins.
Hymn—Mrs. Alice Watkins.
Events of the Bible—W. C. Davis and Lucilla People.
117th Psalm—Annie Louise Johnson.
Beatitude—Mary Alice Pearson.
23rd Psalm—Mary Alice Warner.
The Old and New Testament—Zelma Adams and W. M. Hodges.
Quartett—Lowest Bible Class Girls.
12th. Chapter of Eccl.—Susie B. Warner.
87th Psalm—Virginia Ruffin.
2nd Chapter of Solomon—Velma Knighton.
Solo—M. M. Hodges.
The lowest Bible class and its meaning—Rev. W. G. Wilson.
122nd Psalm—Willia Mae Moore.
Master of ceremonies—Supt., S. L. Moore.
Pres.—M. E. Jenkins.
Sec'y—A. M. Davis.
Instructor—Mrs. Alice Watkins.
Pastor—Rev. L. C. Coleman.
Sunday School—9:30 A. M.
B. Y. P. U.—5:00 P. M.—W. M. Cross, Pres.

EAST END SCHOOL

The home coming party of the East End school was highly enjoyed by all who attended.

Miss Hortense Hancock played for the occasion. The music rendered by her was highly enjoyed, especially by those who "Tripped the light fantastic toe".

The faculty was very pleased to welcome the following ex-pupils home once more: Mesdames Inez Greenwood Woodards, Mary Earle Love Anderson, Melvin Collins Cole, Hannah Jones Basley, Jessie Whitehead Johnson and Lillian Bryant Moffet. Misses Janie and Nellie Knighton, Mary Woodards, Beatrice Beck, Theron and Evelyn Brown, Wysingle McGee, Thelma Coleman, Symerial McCarty, Gladys and Bernice Wilson, Lorena Chatman, Mattie Lois Hicks, Doris Stewart, Ophelia Mason, Annie Louise Calhoun, Annel Irvin, Edna Mae Hill, Kathrine Loyd, Myrtle White, Minnie Pearl Walk, Janie Terry, Geneva Hopson, Annie Belle Lewis, Magalene Abney, Annie Mae Chappel, Elnora Finley, Thelma Harrison, Rosie Mae Jones, Verdie Mae McDonald and Margret Stennis.

Messers Olice Brown, Edward Singleton, Nathaniel and Jobe Rodes, Brooker Bingham, Lee Marcus Cochran, Cornelius Brown, Otis Hopson, John Ed Morris, Otis Hopson, William Scott, Edward Nun, Slater Evans, Printess Billups, Johnny Coleman, Jr., Eddie Lee McGown, Herman Mixon and William Russell.

Messers J. J. Smith, Lawrence Moffett, and Armstead Johnson were the invited guest.

Owing to sickness the following were unable to attend, but sent an excuse:

After the roll was called by the secretary, Miss Ivy introduced the new teacher, Miss Albena Smith. Mrs. Celia Wilson introduced the visitors who were Mesdames Mary Hollie and Mattie Bell.

A delightful social hour was enjoyed by all present. The following games were played:

Keep The Ball Rolling—Directed by Miss Thornton. The most nimble lady is this game was Mrs. Bessie Moseley.

The Bottle Spin—Directed by Mrs. Harris. The most embarrassed lady was Mrs. Celia Wilson.

Two games were directed by Miss Ivy. First, The Widow's Cat. The quickest thinker in this game was Miss Wobbington. The second game was a very interesting one, namely, The Alliteration Contest. The most brilliant lady was name omitted.

The monthly gase was directed by Miss Wobbington—A Popularity Contest. The first prize was won by Mrs. Ruth Gilbert as being the most popular lady present. A consolation prize was give Mrs. Octavia Cockran as being the most un-popular lady.

Mrs. Johnnie Falkner Davis. Misses Delphine Stewart, Eloise Dandy and Ora . Brantley.

At 11:00 o'clock the party closed, all went home happy and hoping to be present next year.

After a dainty ice course was served, the meeting adjoined to meet the fourth Tuesday in October.

The P. T. A. of the East End School met Tuesday, September 22nd, 1931 at 3:00 o'clock. On account of death in the president's family, the ex-president presided. This being a get acquainted meeting, there was no special topic discussed.

CLUB NOTES

The Ladies' Home Mission of the New Prospect Baptist Church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Gordan, Lacy Botton, September 18th. After the session a lovely course of chicken salad, lemonade and cake was served.

Mrs. Monroe Criss aided in service for the club. The date of next meeting is September 25th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Criss 8th Avenue and 22nd Street, Slaughters Quarter.

Meridian, Miss.,
Dear Alumni:

This Appeal comes to you in behalf of our school; the old place where we spent so many happy days together; the old place that should have a very dear place in our hearts.

The time has come that we should do something for our ALMA MATER in lieu of depending upon others to do everything. This time is truly here and we should readily awaken to the sense of our duty.

We are not asking for money, but we are asking that you meet with us and help us formulate some plans by which to raise money and do constructive work for your ALMA MATER. Tuesday, September 29th at 7:30 P. M., at the Meridian Baptist Seminary Auditorium. Let us show the world that one group of Negroes can work together.

Hoping to see you on the above named date we are

Sincerely yours,
William Crockett, '26 Pres.
Hattie Q. Needham, '27 Sec.

Echo Readers,
Dear Ones:

With one thought—to properly serve you we are requesting readers, present and future, friends and especially those desirous for appearance of news of any or all descriptions through columns of the Weekly Echo.

In writeups (News sent for publication) please give persons full name, addresses, date of happenings, time, actions taken and length of stay if on a visit. Make as short as possible.

Thanking you in advance for this courtesy, and striving to serve you better, we are,

Gratefully yours,
THE WEEKLY ECHO.

The beautiful and popular Miss Josephine Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Walker, 2910 19th St., and Mr. Leemark McClendon, happily set sail on the sea of matrimony Tuesday, September 22nd, at 8:00 P. M. at the home of the bride's parents, with the Rev. Will Lou officiating. The lovely bride was attired with a sky blue Chiffon dress without veil and carried a beautiful bridal bouquet of pink roses and fern. The groom wore brown and was neatly attired also. Miss Arcola Brown and Mr. James Evans served as brides maid and best man. The affair was well attended with numerous relatives and friends present. Phonographic music was furnished.

In Memory

Mrs. Lucile L. White on Saturday, September 26th, 1925 standing by the river closed her weary eyes in Jesus' arms. She layed down a lovely jewel for His Crown. Jesus clothed you in a robe of white to beautify immortal sight, He took you to the sky. God gave you only a short life, but we know you laid your treasures for away from earthly strifes. Others now treading your path—a new voice fill the walls your place in the home is vacant, which never can be filled. How we miss you dear. How we long for you again, but you have passed over Jordan and left us very lonely. Some sweet day by and by we will meet with you in the home above. "Where we shall never grow old".

Sadly missed by Messrs. H. D. White, H. L. White, Jr., and William Lewis; Misses Bessie L. Edwards and Margarett L. White; Mesdames Willa M. Lewis Jones and Georgia A. Harris.

HEAR WECHSLER'S FACULTY IN A MUSIC RECITAL, MON. SEPT. 28, 8 P. M. SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Ensemble ...."Good Evening"
Hallelujah Chorus—Handel
Selection ....Male Quartett
Messrs: Fagan, Reed, Smith, Cochran
Soprano Solo...Wayfarer's Night Song Marten
Mrs. Fannie Eaton
Reading ...."Whistling Sam"....Dunbar
Mrs. V. B. Block
Male Chorus—Soprano & Tenor Obligato Ill Trovatore ....Parks
Miss Anderson, Mr. Fagan and chorus.
Bass Solo...Invictus...Mr. J. B. Pettus
Female Chorus...."Rosary", "Mammy's Lil' Boy"
Misses Reese, Anderson, Sims, Thompson, Sims and Varnado
Selection...St. Paul M. E. Church Choir
Aesthetic Dances
Indiana Selections in Costume...."Pale Moon"...Miss Alma L. Reese "By The Waters of Minnetonka," "Indian Love Call'
Misses Reese, Anderson and Varnado
Spirituals...."King Jesus Is A Listening" "Swing Low Sweet Chariot"
Spirituals...."Joshua Fit De Battle"
ContraltoSolo ...."Until"...Miss Pearl Varnado
Dialect Reading—Miss Zee Alfin Anderson.
Piano Solo—Mrs. Johnnie P. Reese.
Ensembel......"Sextet From Lucia"

The sophomore class section B. of the Wechsler High School announces the organization of their class. Officers are as follows: Mr. N. W. Campbell, Pres.; Mr. John Morris, Vice Pres.; Miss Bernice Wilson, Sec.; Miss Grace Parker, Asst. Sec.; Miss Pearl Varnado, Treas.; Mr. Sidney High, Bus. Mgr.; Miss Magnolia E. Sims, Chairman of the social committee.

The sophomore class is looking forward to a successful year, and asking all to cooperate with us in our endeavors.

Prof. and Mrs. S. J. Cullum, Jr. returned to their home Houston, Texas, last week after having spent a very pleasant week with the parents of Prof. Cullum.

Mrs. S. J. (Lola) Cullum, Jr. made numerous acquaintances while during her stay here, and impressed every one that met her.

A Surprise Birthday party was given at home of Mrs. Fannie Brantley Wed. Sept. 16 honoring Miss Bertha Brantley. All kind of games were played. Green, pink and white mints were served alphabetically.

Mrs. M. L. Simon was hostess. A second course of cake and fruit cocktail was served. Miss Bertha Brantyel arrived at 10:30 P. M. from practice and was surprised to see so many friends present and having such a lovely time and the many gifts presented her. Miss Brantley wants the public to know that she is still receiving gifts.

Miss Dora Brantley is not working this week due to illness.

"The Word Was Made Flesh"

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EDITORIAL

GOOD WHITE FOLKS, GOOD COLORED FOLKS—BAD WHITE FOLKS, BAD COLORED FOLKS

I am a young man and cannot boast of wide and long experiences, and yet I have tried to be a close observor of things and conditions. Through a general observation I have come to this conclusion that wherever you find white people who are nonconsiderate, who are mean and who have an antagonistic spirit toward the Negro, that same spirit exists in the colored man. In other words, wherever you find mean white folks, most likely you will find that same type of Negro. Wherever you find good christian hearted white folks, sympathetic white folks, white folks who are willing to bear with some of our short comings, white folks who are willing to help us lift ourselves to higher heights, church going white folks, polite white folks, my experience has taught me that you will find the colored man of that same character, disposition and temperament. Now, what is at the bottom of all of this. It is this: The white man brought us here, he taught us here and we looked upon him as a guide and a model. We have looked upon him as an example. We have looked upon him as a leader and we have tried to do whatever he does, let it be good or bad. I think that every community, to a large extent through the colored people, exemplify the general attitude and characteristic of the white race. If this is true it is then necessary, that the white man lead an upright life before us. There is no need to attempt to argue that we are not willing to follow, and cannot be led by the white man. All of us good thinking colored people are willing to take the advice of good white people, whom we have confidence in, and, if we have real confidence in one white man, that confidence cannot be shaken by any man, unless it comes from another man whom we have more confidence in than we have in the former.

If you strike a section where the white folks make and drink plenty of moonshine, the same thing will be true wth the colored man. If you come into a town where the white folks are mean, will fight and kill, my experience is the same will be true of the colored man. The white man has a great responsibilty upon him and it is up to him to be careful as to the life he lives and the example that he sets.

When I look over the trodden path that lies in eternal shade, regret come over me thick and fast, regret for the break I have made. I fooled away many golden years as though I had years to burn, out of the ashes I gathered tears, but the joys do not return. Fortune knock at my open door, with honor, pride to appear. I turned in bed with a lazy spooze and told her to chase herself. I hung around on the old dead grass while others were in the fold. I'll always load myself with brass while others were after gold.

By Mr. G. H. Slay.

A pumpkin which measured 47½ inches from end to end and 43 inches in circumference was seen Saturday at the home of Mr. Ben Fox who resides on southside between 28th and 31st avenues near the gas plant.

Mr. Fox who operates a truck farm on the 8th Street road says, "a pumpkin that size is small, compared to the ones I have grown."

Dear Editor:

I take this method of congratulating you on the wonderful sermon preached Sunday Sept. 13, Subject: "A Black Cat on the Line." I wish that everybody throughout Meridian could have heard it. The sermon impressed me more and more each time I think of it.

Miss Symerial McCarty.

Mrs. L. W. Barrou has returned from a three weeks visit to Chicago and Hattiesburg.

"IT NEVER PAYS"

It never pays to fret and growl,
Where fortune seems our foe,
The better bred will push ahead
and strike the heavier blow,
For luck is work and those who shirk,
Shall not lamet their doom;
But yield the play and clear the way
That better men have room.

It never pays to wreck the health,
In an drudging after gain;
And he is sold who think that gold,
Is cheaper bought with pain;
And humble lot a cozy cot
Have tempted even Kings
For station hight that wealth will buy
Not often contenent frings.

It never pays a blunt refrain,
Well worthy of a song;
For age and youth, must bear the truth
That nothing pays thats wrong,
The good pure alow sure to brnig prolonged success;
While what is in heaven's sight is always sure to bless.

Miss Ada Louise Cooley.

RETURN FROM POINTS WEST

Mrs. Loo Roberts of 3414-11th Street, accompained by son, Freddie and daughters, Bertha Emma Ruth and Genoba Roberts, having returned from El Paso, Texas. Where they were the guest at Murray. They also visited in Jaunrez, New Mexico, where they saw many interesting things. Mrs. Roberts and children were accompained by Mr. Roberts as far as New Orleans, La.

Mrs. T. B. Coleman wife of Dr. T. B. Coleman one of the leading Dentist of Natchez Miss., spent 4 days in the City as guest of Mrs. A. M. Thomas 3200-11 St., left the city Wednesday 11:50 for her home. Previous to Mrs. Coleman's departure Mrs. A. M. Thomas was hostess for an acquaintance party honoring her.

This affair was well attended there being more than 75 present. Every one present witnessed a most enjoyable time. A number of vocal selections were rendered. By the honoree Piano and Radio music was enjoyed. With the serving of a splendid and delicious Fruit Punch and the most pleasant evening was brought to a close. Her friends and many acquaintances regret to learn of her departure very much.

MR. JOHN PETTUS A MEMBER OF THE BAPTIST SEMINARY

The Seminary feels it is very fortunate in securing the services of Mr. John B. Pettus during term. Mr. Pettus is no stranger to the school, nor to Meridian in general; being a Graduate of the Baptist Seminary and an honor student. He is one of the out stading young men of our city.

Mr. Pettus finished his work at Morehouse College Majoring in Education. His coming releives the Principal, Prof. G. M. Reese, of most of the class room work as he has charge of Science and higher mathematics. We have an able corps of teachers this year and the students are responding nicely to their efforts.

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Bake in castle roll.

Several persons left the city during the past week for school, to resume their educational course. Among those who left the city were: Miss Fannie Alice Crawford, 2805-16th Street, who left for Tougaloo College, monday at 3:15 a. m. Miss Tillie Jones, 1115-34th Avenue, Alcorn College, Messrs Wilbert Crawford and Eugene Turner, Alcorn College. "Slim" who has a state wide reputation as a base ball player and occupies the position as pitcher, has been "twirling the pill" for the Sluggers during the Summer. Previously Mr. Turner was star pitcher for Wechsler High School. It is expected that "Slim" will Twirle for Alcorn's Atheletic Champion.

Mr. Eugene Turner, Sr., "Andy" who has won many honors in the base ball world believes "Slim" his son, can make any team if he follows in his foot steps. Come "Slim," now and follow your Daddy "Andy."

H. B. A. NEWS

Collins, Miss.
Dear Editor:

Please give me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 444 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of sister Mary McLaurin, who died August 15th. Mrs Mary McLaurin, was a faithful member of the Baptist church, and a loyal member to her lodge. She leaves to mourn her passing, one son, one brother and a host of relatives and friends We hope onr lost is heaven's gain Mrs. McLaurin, was laid to rest in the Friendship Cemetery at Collins.

Rev. L. Jenkins, President.
L. M. White Secretary.

Richton, Miss.
Dear Editor:

Please allow me space through the columns of the Echo to let the many friends know that lodge No. 294 is doing nicely. Death visited our lodge a few days ago and took one of our members in the person of Bro. W. A. Spikes. He was a member of Bethel A. M. E. Church, he was also superintendent of his Sunday School. Bro. Spikes, was a member of the Masonic odge, and served as a wishful Master. He was loved by both Colored and White. We regret to lose a member of his standing, but we hope our lost is heaven's gain.

B. A. Seales, President.

Meridian, Miss.,
Dear Editor:

Miss Lessie Lee Bell has renewed her membership with H. B. A. lodge No. 395, 13th Street 14th Avenue.

The members were glad to have her come back and renew her membership with us. Hoping others will do likewise.

Mrs. Annie Smith, Pres.

TO STAGE WIDOWS' CONTEST

A Widow" Contest will be held at Pilgrim Church, 6th St. and 14th Avenue, Sunday evening, September 27th, 1931.

The Widows practicing in the contest are: Mesdames Minnie Bradley of Calvary, Lou Floyd, of St. John, Hall of Union, Taylor, of Ebenezer, Hattie Jones of Pilgrim. Come and and see who will be the most popular widow. We are asking all of our friends to come and help us in our last drive for this year, which is given for the benefit of the Home Mission Society.
All ministers and their choirs are asked to be present with us.

A. J. Wallace, President.

SHUBUTA

Dear Editor:
Allow me space in the colums of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 230 is yet alive. On the 5th Sunday we had a wonderful time. An excellent program was rendered with Mrs. Lizzie Dickerson as mistress of ceremonies. The following named persons appeared on program: Mrs. Bertha Lofton H. C. Carter, I. C. Rodgers, LeMon Ponder, V. W. Foster, L. Barner, J. W. Polk, Allen Woodard and R. H. Lofton. We had a wonderful time.
Mrs. Lizzie Dickerson, Reporter.
R. H. Lofton, President.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peterson and the mother of Miss Mamie Harkins arrived in the city from New Orleans, La. Sunday morning where she is very ill, all of her friends wish her a speedy reover.

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Mrs. Eretta Jackson, formerly Miss Cotton of Chicago formerly of Meridian was in the city Friday, September 4th and was the guest of the Simon's cafe. Being entertained by her schoolmate, Miss Dora Brantley. We regret very much tnat she left the city September 9th for Chicago.

Miss Minnie E. Ray left the city Tuesday afternoon for New York City. Miss Ray will spend one day in Birmingham, Ala., with her sister, Mrs. Essie Trotter While enroute to New York she will also stop in Baltimore Maryland. Hampton Va., and several other places before going to New York.

Miss Argutha Marie Brown, a popular, also honored student of Wechsler High School, underwent a throat operation at Dr. Touchstone's office at 9:00 o'clock Monday morning.

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A three course Menu with ice tea was served the following:

Mesdames R. L. Young, Marjorie Alexander, Hannah Walk, Celja Wilson, Bessie Beck, Williams, G. C. Borrum, Laura Hinson, Paralee Lewis, Lula Shack, B. Bryant.

Mrs. William Young was the hostess guest.

Miss H. L. Payton, of 1405 31-st Avenue will leave the city Saturday afternoon September 26th, for Prentiss Normal and Industral Institute College, Prentiss, Miss.

Miss Payton is a former graduate of P. N. I. I. and also has had charge of the Home Economic department for three sessions as general Supervisor. Miss Payton will begin her respective work Oct. 1st. which is her fourth term.

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UNION BAPTIST

Members of Union Baptist Church of Circle "C" met in regular session Tuesday Sept. 8 at the usual time at the home of D. H. Watson. Following the business transactions, a course of ice cream was enjoyed.

We are asking each Circle of various churches to co-operate. Let the many readers know what they are doing by publishing through the "Weekly Echo" our paper of which we are very proud.

Next meeting Sept. 25th at the Church.

Mesdames, A. Bell Leader, M. A. Trussell Teacher, Beadie Lloyd Secretary, F. C. Cooley, Reporter.

The Senior Class of Wechsler high School will make their first change Friday night Sept. 25th 1931 with an "Apron and Tie Party" Come in and match your Aprons and Ties and get all the fun you can use for one night.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE

Under and by the virtue of the power conferred upon me, as trustee in that certain deed of trust, executed by Mattie Nobles to secure the indebtedness therein mentioned dated December 24th, 1929, to the Meridian Building and Loan Association and the balance due of whcih was by the Meridian Building and Loan Association on April 9th, 1931, transferred and assigned to the Queen City Finance and Improvement Association, which deed of trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Boog 182 at page 316 in the Chancery Clerk's Office of Lauderdale County, Mississippi, default having been made in the payment thereof, and being requested by the owner thereof. I, Lawrence McRaven, Trustee, will on the 5th day of October, 1931, at the West front entrance of the Court House in Meridian, Lauderdale County, Mssissippi, during legal hours, sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, the following described lands to-wit:

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Witness my signature this the 12th day of September, 1931.

Lawrence McRaven, Trustee.

Posted September 12th, 1931.
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Mrs. Iola Riddle will leave the city Thursday for her home in Memphis Tenn.

Mrs. Lula Malone of Birmingham Ala., is in the city visiting her sister and aunt.

Miss Emma Miller who has been ill for several weeks is up and able to be at her post of duty

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The Men's Ever-ready Club of St. Paul M. E. Church will stage a benefit Hay Ride to-night 8:00 p. m. The aggregation will leave the church going to the home of Mrs. Larkin, Rose Hill. Games will be enjoyed.

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31st Avenue Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.

Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Miss Canary N. Wilson, daughter of Mrs. and Rev. W. G. Wilson, matriculated at Jackson College, Jackson, Mississippi, on the 15th, as a member of the Freshman College Class, majoring in English and Education. Miss Wilson won the Jackson Tuition Scholarship from the Meridian Baptist Seminary from which she graduated last session. While she is majoring in Education, she will carry through with the regular college work. The home circle misses her, because of her activity in church circles. She was a member of the Sunday school faculty and choir. Her father says that he will announce through the columns of the Weekly Echo when she is a Debutante.

St. James A. M. E. Church

Bishop William Decker Johnson visits St. James A. M. E. Church. No event in the history of the present administration was hailed with a sweeter anticipation than the coming of Bishop Johnson to St. James.

Beginning with the Sunday School throughout the entire day, a large attendance was at each service and much interest was manifested.

The Choir was at its best owing to the lateness of the week a full account of the visit of the Bishop will be given in next week's issue fo the Echo.

Rev. W. H. H. Murrell, Pastor.

Mr. Carl McGlothin returned home after spending more than than 12 days visiting in Los Angeles, Sanfrancisco and other cities he expresses himself of having a very pleasant trip, and that conditions are the same in other places as here.

Miss Henretta Applin a 1930-31 graduate of Wechsler High School left the city Saturday morning for Straight College New Orleans La. She is the charming young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Applin, 3008-19th St.

Miss Lula Mae Dyes of Barnett, Miss., has returned to the city to resume her work as a senior of the Wechsler High School. Sunday she went home for her sister Miss Lethia Mae Dyes While in the city they reside at 3208 12th St.

It's easy enought to be pleasant when life flows along like a song; but the man worthwhile is the man who can smile when every thing goes dead wrong. What if it rain to day—keep smiling. What if the way seems dark—every cloud must have a silver lining! To-morrow the sun will shine. Some time we look back and really wonder how we made it. What if the depression is on how many of us have starved? All ways keep in mind we belong to God and he never forsaketh his own. Just keep a stiff upper lip—and smile through.

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CARD OF THANKS

We take this method to try to express our thanks to our many friends for the kindness to us during the sickness and death of our beloved niece wife and sister. We thank both White and Colored for the lovely flowers. We thank St. Elizabeth M. E. Church and their hosts of members also other churches for their courtesies.

Mrs. W. M. Ferel, Sister.
Mrs. Sallie Harris, sister.
Mrs. Willie L. Nelson, sister.
Mrs. M. Johnson, sister.
Mr. Percy McCann, brother.
Miss Mary McCann, sister.
Miss Lillie Mcann, sister.
Mr. Flozell Madison, husband.

First Congregational Church Plans Dedication

Sunday will be a big day at the First Congregational church, located at twelfth street and thirty-first avenue. A special dedicatory service will feature the morning program with Secretary H. S. Barnwell of Atlanta, Ga. delvering the sermon. The choir will render musical numbers. At 3:30 p. m. Rev. B. Washington Coates, pastor of the Union Baptist church, will preach. At the evening service persons representing the professional and business interests of the city will appear in five minute addresses. They are as follows: Dr. L. F. Brooks and Dr. R. B. Matthews, physicians; Dr. W. B. Block and Dr. H. W. Wilson, dentists; Dr. A. C. Flemming and Dr. S. J. Alston, druggists; Mr. H. Strayhorn and Rev. Henry Taylor, morticians; Mr. A. O. Lattimore and Mr. L. G. Cranford, insurance. A history of the church will be given by Mrs. M. L. Clark. Rev. M. Williams is pastor.

Development

By A. G. Smith

The Development of the church is not an instanteous matter, it is a gradual process. Some have erroneously thought and taught that a man might be wicked all his life and then on his death bed confess his sins accept Christ, become a Christian and die and go to Heaven immediately. There is no scripture that warrants such a conclusion time is required for the development of the Christians. He must first repent; that is to say, become displeased with the wrongful course of the world, change his own course and seek the Lord. He must become converted, turn away from a wrongful course and turn to the Lord Jesus, make a full consecration, be accepted of the Lord, presented to the Father, justified, and begotten of the Holy Spirit, before he becomes a new creature; and from that time on he must develop. He must have the opportunity to pass through, and must pass through many experiences learn the lessons that GOD desires the members in the new creation to learn.

A boy or girl in school who is being trained for a special purpose is required to have some hard mental exercises in order to develop the mind, for this reason many Mathematical problems are required of the pupil; and other lessons are required to develop the mental faculties. One who is training for the race or other physical contests is required to have some strenous experiences. With stronger reasoning are these being trained for the high and exalted positions of membership in the loyal family of the heaven. Hence we may not be surprised to find often that their training is quite severe. The understanding of this requirement enables one to appreciate why Christians have a never been popular and why they have suffered so much during the past Nineteen Centuries.

Heaven Bound

The rehersal of the pagent "HEAVEN BOUND" was well attended Tuesday night. Mrs. Reese, the directress, accounted for more than 135 participants. All were not present on account of previous engagements. The next rehersal will be next Monday night when it is hopeful every character will be present.

Am I Born To Die?

By Rev. W. H. H. Murrell

At

Sometime I heard the interesting story of an incident that happened in Columbus, Miss.

After several failures in the newspaper business by different adventurers a progressive young man began to edit a paper and knowing the fate of the other papers he placed in large headlines across the front page of his paper these words. "AND AM I BORN TO DIE?" It is my sincere wish that the Echo shall live.

The building up of a community is everybody's job; the minister, the teacher, the doctor, the merchant, the home owner, the P. T. A., the charitable organizations—in fact every one with a distinct interest must play his part. The local newspaper is the point of contact through which these various elements must function and express themselves.

The Weekly Echo is a mirror of the life of the community, inspiring, suggesting, helping, and sacrificing to this general work of up-building. The Weekly Echo is the concentrated reflection of those in the city who desire an up-to-date wholesome publication in which we can (without omitting the title of respect) publish the doings of the community in which we live.

I wish again to congratulate the courageous editor and his efficient staff for doing the big job.

"Somebody scoffed: 'O, you'll never do that! At least you never have done it! But he took off his coat, and the first thing we knew he'd begun it, With the lift of his chin and a bit of grin, If any doubt arose he forbade it; He started to write and he tackled the thing that couldn't be done, but he did it."

Mrs. Lula Mosley compliments Mr. James Hodges. A three table bridge party was tendered Mr. James Hodges, who is here for a two weeks stay, coming from Chicago, at the home of Mrs. Mosley, today a week ago.

Score prize was won by Messrs Sid Thoms and Johnnie Barnett. Second prize a lovely green vase was won by Misses Leola Martin and Lena M. Hardy. A delicious plate lunch was served.

The hostess was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Viola Coleman.

Members of the Union Baptist church of circle "C" met in regular session at the church.

Subject: The Disciples Commissioned. Mark 6:7-13 Memory verses Acts 13:50-52. The lesson was explained by Mrs. M. A. Trussell our teacher. The next meeting tonight at the home of Mrs. Ida Craig. We have started our revival and have a wonderful man of GOD in the person of Rev. Chatman we are asking all to come and hear him, he is one among the best.

Mrs. A. Bell, Leader.
M. A. Trussell, Teacher.
Beady Lloyd, Sec'y.
F. C. Cooley, Reporter.

Miss Callie Louise Coleman, charming young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Coleman left Thursday a week ago for Detroit, Michigan. She spent 24 hours in Chicago. She was guest of her sister and brother Mr. and Mrs. Williams Robons, while in Detroit. Having spent a few pleasant days in New York City, Miss Coleman joined her sisters at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Coleman, 2915 Maple St., Boston, Mass., there she will enter school this session.

Negro Charitable Association

The Negro Citizens of Meridian met at El Bethel Baptist Church 13th St. and 30th Ave., Tuesday night, September 29th, 1931, at 8:30 P. M. and perfected the Negro Charitable Association with Mr. C. T. Tiggs, chairman.

The meeting aroused the interest and envoked the gratitude of men and women who sat and listened to the information and instructions which was given by the honorable Mr. J. T. Farr, representative of the U. S. Employment Service and honorable Mr. W. V. Ludlam chairman of the Lauderdale County Chapter Red Cross & other representatives of Red Cross, who are active to thousands of souls that make up the burden of humanity. As they talked our hearts burned with loyalty and love for the principles which govern this great program; since these officials always carry with them that sympathetic feeling of loyalty to the service of humanity and for the welfare work of U. S. of America.

This meeting will go on record with all other meetings of similar organization and marks the beginning of the coperation of the Negroes of Meridian with this great service. We hope to join in heart and hands with this work and thereby render our keenest and unfailing interest in the activities of the welfare of this great organization. The object of this Association is to afford a definite plan for the relief of the distressed, destitute, sick and those unemployed and to provide a doctor, medicine and emergency help to thos in need of such and to be a helpful agency in welfare and rescue work in cooperation with similar organization. Office 24th Avenue & 11th Street, Butler Building.

W. Henry George, Secretary.

DELEGATES OF NEWELL CHAPEL C. M. E. CHURCH GO TO THE MISSIONARY CONVENTION

Mesdames C. A. Leach and Annie Smith have just returned from the Missionary Convention held at Blue Springs C. M. E. Church, Bassfield, Mississippi.

The session was a glorious success. Saturday and Sunday were high days with the good people of Bassfield. The folks of Bassfield spared no little pain in caring for the Convention.

Our pastor preached a wonderful sermon Sunday at 11:30. His text was taken from the 27th verse of the First Chapter of the Book of James. Subject: Slightly Soiled, but greatly reduced in Value. A wonderful meeting was witnessed by everybody present.

Mrs. L. W. Wilson, President.
Mrs. Annie Smith, Reporter.

A party including Mrs. William Emerson her son Kermitt and daughter Marie, sisters, Mesdames S. D. Hill, L. A. Stennis and Mrs. W. H. Hearn, left the city Sunday by motor route for East St. Louis, Illinois. Having been called to the bedside of their brother, Mr. J. F. Adams.

They were accompanied by Mr. Theodore Gaines of this city.

Ten dollars ($10.00) in gold for the popular ticket seller in the presenting Mr. Millard Burwell Wednesday night Oct. 15 in a special musical. A city wide contest is open to every church, liberal commission to the church and special prizes to the ticket sellers. For information call 3309

Bishop Johnson Visits St. James Church

The coming of Bishop William Decker Johnson to St. James A. M. E. Church was fraught wth much interest.

A special proram was rendered. We wish to thank the following for their participation on the program: Dr. L. F. Brooks, M. D., Dr. W. H. Wilson Dentist, Dr. Flemmings, Pharmacist, Miss Bratley, Miss Murphey, Mrs. Blackwell, and Rev. Williams.

The St. James Choir with Mr. L. G. Cranford, manager, was at it best. Bishop Johnson preached two wonderful sermons and delivered a masterful address.

We graced with the presence of Rev. M. Williams, pastor of the First Congregational church, Rev. W. G. Wilson, pastor of the New Hope Baptist church, Rev. R. L. Young, pastor Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church, Rev. G. C. Borrum, pastor Allen Chapel C. M. E. Church, Rev. A. D. Harper pasor St. Peters A. M. E. Zion Church, Rev. Brock Superanuated A. M. E. Church.

The following are the names of the persons who brought groceries to the parsonage for the comfort of the Bishop during his stay here. Brothers I. English, H. W. Kelly, C. M. Essic, R. Howze, E. Scott, P. Colgins, V. John-H. Houston, Rudolf Keeton, J. T. Triplet. Sisters Massengale, E. Tims, Z. son, E. Welch, I. E. Fileds, R. A. Watkins, B. Arnold, S. Hubb and Sisters O. Glenn and A. D. Smith.

Rev. W. H. H. Murrell, Pastor.
St. James A. M. E. Church.

The Layman Movement Club of New Hope Baptist church will render a program and debate, Tuesday O ct. 6, at 8:00 P. M. at the church. Topic to be discussed: RESOLVED THAT MEN OF THOUGHT HAVE BEEN MORE BENEFICIAL TO THE MEN OF THE WORLD THAN MEN OF ACTIONS. The subject wil lbe discussed by the Layman Movement and the W. W. I. C. Club.

M. Sudbery, Sponsor.

LET A SMILE TAKE THE PLACE OF A FROWN

By Miss Annie Mae Sands

As you face life's tragedy,
And your troubles seem to bear down,
Lift your heads above your trials,
And let a smile take the place of a
frown.

Don't let misfortune stop you,
A steady pace will win the crown,
Lift your feet above the rcoks of torture,
And let a smile take the place of a
frown.

When your path seem to get rough,
And happiness flees from around,
Think only of a joyful ending
And let a smile take the place of a
frown.

Don't give up your journey at noonday
But travel on until the sun goes down,
And at the end you'll find that it pays
To let a smile take the plac of a
frown.

The Senior Class of the Baptist Seminary announces the class organization, officers are as follows:

Mr. Lamar Baskin, Pres.
Mr. Curlee Johnson, V.-Pres.
Miss Dellis Dozier, Sec'ty.
Miss Annie B. Norman, Asst. Sec.
Mr. J. P. Hill, Treas.
Mr. J. B. Pettus, Sponsor.
Miss Annie Mae Sands, Reporter.

Stillman vs Wechsler At Traction Park

The Wechsler Black Cats, Champions of Mississippi in 1930, will meet The Stillman Institute on the Grid this evening at the Traction park. Game is called at 3:00 P. M. With the return of last year's star Walter (Cutem) Fagen. One of last year's stars Julius (Acme) Gordon is in Tuskegee. The Cats are expected to have a more successful year or as successful as that of last year. Those stawalts in camp are Willie Lee (Stumpy) Jones, Captain, Ed (Lighten) Mitchell, Alternat Captain, Otis (Bonchy) Hopson, Jense, (Wantsit) Whitfield, back; Willard (Skeet) Burnett; Fred (Jobbs) Jenkins; Harmon (Phantom) Davis; Ersell (Devil) Bourdeaux; Eugine (Banty) Burwell; Foster (Knees) Barnett, William (Red) Beal.

Linemen. Among the newcomers who are showing well on the squad are James (Belly) Howard; Frank (Shorty) Chalmers; Welton (Couger) City; Lucius (Luke) Stewart; Louis Marcy, Leo Williams, Henry Hollaway, Abe Jones, R. C. Morgan Leslie Floyd.

All eyes are turned towards the opening game of the season when hundreds of loyal fans and students will be on hand to cheer the favorite Blackcats on a victorious march through the season, hoping to produce another championship team for W. H. S. and the city of Meridian. Bring a red tag and meet your friends at Traction Park this evening. Beat 'em Blackcats! Beat 'em!

The Negro Charitable Association invites all ministers of the ciyt and coutry to be present at a regular Business meeting Tuesday night Oct. 6, 1931 at 8:00 at their office, 34th Avenue and 11th St. To hear the report from the representatives of the association that met the RED CROSS CCONFERENCE at Newton, Miss., Oct. 2,C. T. Tiggs, Chairman.

We are very proud, indeed to see Messers. Albert Needham and Timothy Johnson improving so nicely. They were recently attacked with a severe case of Malaria fever. Both were ill for a period of about three weeks.

Echo Readers,
Dear Ones:

With one thought—to properly serve you we are requesting readers, present and future, friends and especially those desirous for appearance of news of any or all descriptions through columns of the Weekly Echo.

In writeups (News sent for publication) please give persons full name, addresses, date of happenings, time, actions taken and length of stay if on a visit. Make as short as possible.

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EDITORIAL

KNOWLEDGE ITS OWN END

S. J. Alston., P. H. C.

I was interrupted the other day, by a High school student who requested of me the answer to one of the many questions which has taxed wisdom of the great minds of every age since the dawn of civilization. I Judge that the student has been doing some reading, and it is profitable if he has, because the time spent in company with great authors pay many fold. This student wishes to know: "What Is the End of a Liberal or Philosophical Education?" I answer that Knowledge is its own End.

Surely, in this enlightened age, it should not be necessary to resort to theories, in order to vindicate the value and dignity of A Liberal or Philosophical Education, for the real ground upon which rest the proof that Knowledge is its own end is not very abstruse, strange, or improbable. Surely it is very intelligible to say that Liberal Education, viewed in itself is simply the cultivation of the intellect, and, as such, its object, in its true aspects, leads to nothing more than intellectual excellence, and intellectual excellence is goodness or virtue.

If a Liberal or Philosophical Education promised nothing more than goodness or virtue, it would be well worth the hours and energy necessary for its acquisition. But, happily, it promises much more: Knowledge, indeed, when thus exalted into a scientific form, is power. Not only is it excellence in itself, but Knowledge has a result beyond itself. It is a good. Not only is it an instrument, but it is an end in itself, and it may, therefore, resolve itself into an Art, and terminate into a Mechanical process, and thereby yield tangible fruit, but, it may, also, fall back upon the reason which informs it, and resolve itself into Philosophy. In the former case, it would be called Useful Knowledge, in the latter case Liberal or Philosophical Knowledge.

There are, therefore, two methods of Education: The End of the one is to be Liberal or Philosophical, the other to be Mechanical. The Philosophical Education seeks to expound general ideas. Useful or Mechanical Education exhaustes itself upon what is particular and external. The exercises of the Mechanical Education is the duty of the many, and we owe to the many a debt of gratitude for fulfilling that duty.

Knowledge, then, Liberal or Philosophical, beyond its commercial value, is an asset to any one, because the intellect is so trained that it becomes a clear, cold, logic engine, with all its parts of equal strength, and in smooth working order. Again, Knowledge provides one with great fundamental truths of Nature and of the laws of her operation: It trains the passion to be obedient to the Will, provides a tender conscience, and makes it possible for one to love all beauty, whether of Nature or Art; to hate all vileness, and to respect others as himself.

Miss Theresa Spears the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Spears left the city Sunday Sept. 27th for Mary Home Seminary, West Point, Miss. This being her junior year, we hope her a successful session. Miss Spears spent the summer with her parents at home.

Don't oppress the weak because you are strong.

Miss Emma B. Ivy

(Principal of East End School)

Why I am pursuing my College Course.

I want to be a more efficient teacher, so that first, I may be able to adopt all instructions to contemporary social needs, second, to be able to base methods of instruction on sound psychological principles, third, to be able to apply principles of scientific business management in my profession.

I want to rank higher in training, teaching, skill and culture, and to come in contact with people of different ideas, to learn ways and new methods of doing things, and increase my capacity for service to those who come in contact with me. I am endeavoring to acquire the ability to speak or write in an orderly, clear, vigorous style. I want to learn the principles which underlie good teaching.

I am persuing my College Course because I have realized that: Teaching is a calling which demands continual growth on the part of those engaged in it. The advance of our school is so rapid that teachers who do not continue to increase their capacity for service, in time cease to be of large usefulness to the system.

I have also realized that; The principles and practices, the theory and the art of education, are constantly undergoing changes, in common with all other phases of civilization, modification and development. Likewise, the field of education in which instruction is given, and the habit which education seeks to form are always changing. It is necessary, therefore, if the institution of education is to render its full service to humanity, if the public schools are to perform their full duty in the promotion of civilization, that every teacher in so far a his power lies, shall keep a breast of this development and change.

No matter what the initial equipment of a teacher may be he should be efficient during his entire period of service.

"HAVEN'T GOT TIME"

Opportunity tapped at a door, With a chance for the fellow with in; He wrapped till his fingers were sore:
And muttered come on let him in

Here is something I know you can do, Here is a hill I know you can climb, But the brother in side quickly replied,
Old fellow I Haven't Got Time.
Opportunity wandered along in such of a man who would rise,
He said to his indolent throng, Here's a chance for the brother who tries: But each of them said with a smile, I wish I could, but I'm very busy today;
Very busy to-day and sorry to say
That I really Haven't Got Time.

Miss Ada Louise Cooley.

Hattiesburg, Miss.,
Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many friends and readers know that lodge No. 293 is doing nicely. I want to say that we are still encouraged to go forward and make this order what it aught to be.

I want to say that the Convention which was held in the H. B. A. Auditorium July 27, 28th, was the best that I have ever witnessed. Peace and love existed throughout the meeting. Mrs. Hattie Nicholson and I had the pleasure of staying over after the Convention, any my! my! what a time we did have. We were invited out to dine with Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Young, our General Secretary. His loving wife had prepared dinner for us. And let me tell you.

The cakes were baked.
The pies were too,
The pork was tender through and through.
The chicken was all good and brown,
That bid us welcome to the town.
Now every thng that I have mentioned,
We gave our best attention,
While every thing was so high,
We didn't let any thing go by.

We ate all we were able,
Off of Mrs. Young's table.
Snap beans, turnips and greens,
The chicken as cute as any I've seen,
At that table with such grace,
Each one filling their own place.

Let me tell your there weren't no noise,
From the girls neither the boy,
Like some children I have found,
When the grown ups are around.

Sour pickles and those thats sweet,
Every thing for us to eat,
From the glasses as we sip,
Thinking of how we've made this trip.
Back to Hattiesburg we will rome,
To be greeted at our homes.

MRS. LENA JOHNSON,

Pres. and Reporter.

Mr. Millard Burwell, distinguished baritone singer, formerly of Meridian, will sing the crucifixion, by special request, at New Hope Baptist Church Sunday the 4th of October during the morning worship. The public is cordially invited. He will give a public recital at the City Hall on the 15th of October.

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Trustee day is the third sunday at 11 o'clock.

Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

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9:30 Sunday School.

11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

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Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Echo Readers,
Dear Ones:

With one thought—to properly serve you we are requesting readers, present and future, friends and especially those desirous for appearance of news of any or all descriptions through columns of the Weekly Echo.

In writeups (News sent for publication) please give persons full name, addresses, date of happenings, time, actions taken and length of stay if on a visit. Make as short as possible.

Thanking you in advance for this courtesy, and striving to serve you better, we are,

Gratefully yours,
THE WEEKLY ECHO.

Miss Margret Stennis has as her guest Miss Marie Evans of Lawrence, Mississippi.

I FEEL IT IN MY LIFE

That we get what we send forth into the world. If we send out kindness, kindness returns to us in increased measure. The propagator of hatred gathers back to his heart a harvest of haters. The man or woman who attacks the character of another is certain to be attatted at last by his own weapons. Some one well said "They who live by harming other people will die at last on the anvil of another."

Ida Bolton.

Mr. Robert Earl Needham left the city for Noxville, Tenn., Sept. 13, to join his brother, Mr. Timothy C. Needham. He is now working in Andrew Johnson's Hotel.

Miss Inez L. Needham arrived in the city from Oakland, Tenn. Sunday morning Sept. 27th at 11:00 o'clock to spend two months after which she will return to her work.

Stimulants are used throughout the year for business and not only business during this season of the year.

Miss Elsie D. Meadows has resumed her studies in the part-time class at Wechsler High School where she is taking shorthand and typewriting. This is her second term.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson and children have just returned from their vacation, visiting in Washington, Harrisburg, Penn., Nigra Falls and spending several days in Buffalo, N. Y. with Mrs. Johnson's Bro. Mr. O. H. Allen Jr.

A storm was given for Brother Louis Hopkins, 1701-29th Ave., by Mesdames Mary Smith and Mattie Bell Johnson. The storm was very nice, and ninety-two persons participated.

There will be a Mock Wedding given at the Calvary Baptist Chrch, Friday night October 16th. A splendid program will be rendered by some of the best talent of the city. The music for the Wedding will be rendered by Mrs. J. P. Reese. The Bride and Groom will be announced at a later date. Tickets are now on sale. Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Shaw, Sponsors.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE

Under and by the virtue of the power conferred upon me, as trustee in that certain deed of trust, executed by Mattie Nobles to secure the indebtedness therein mentioned dated December 24th, 1929, to the Meridian Building and Loan Association and the balance due of wheih was by the Meridian Building and Loan Association on April 9th, 1931, transferred and assigned to the Queen City Finance and Improvement Association, which deed of trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Boog 182 at page 316 in the Chancery Clerk's Office of Lauderdale County, Mississippi, default having been made in the payment thereof, and being requested by the owner thereof. I, Lawrence McRaven, Trustee, will on the 5th day of October, 1931, at the West front entrance of the Court House in Meridian, Lauderdale County, Mssissippi, during legal hours, sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, the following described lands to-wit:

The Center one-third of Lot One (1) in Block Twelve (12) of and according to Dearman's Survey of said City of Meridian; the same being otherwise described as Beginning 73 75 feet West of the Northeast Corner of said Block 12 of Dearman's Survey and running thence south 185 feet; thence West 73.75 feet; thence North 185 feet; and thence East 73.75 feet to the point of the beginning;

Together with all and singular the improvments thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging.

I will convey such title as in me vested as trustee.

Witness my signature this the 12th day of September, 1931.

Lawrence McRaven, Trustee.

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Matstraw Hardy	
A. G. Cranford	25
Theodore Wilson	13
Lamond Reese	17
Floyd Phillips	30
James Wilson	15
Eddie Walker	15
Walter Block Jr.	12
Jack Burley Jr.	20
Genesis Colgins	11
Dewy Chandler	11
Ernest Braddock	10
W. A. Thompson	15

HOUSE HOLD HINTS

(By Miss Lillian Larkin)

One half cup of Cream cheese 2 cups diced pineapple, 2 pints cream one half cup Maraschino Cherries. Work cream cheese until creamy, then add cream, whipped until stiffed, and diced pineapple and maraschino cherries Serve on lettuce with mayonnaise

CANNED SOUP MIXTURE

2 cups celery, 3 cups string beans 2 cups corn, 2 cups carrots, 3 cups of tomatos, 1 onion, teaspoon salt 1 cup water, Prepare the vegetables, mix and bring to a boiling point, pack into sterile jars. Adjust the rubber same length of time, if the canning is done in a boiler. Keep the water up to the top of the jars all the time. For replenishing the water, have a small boiler on so that hot water may be added as needed.

PEAR AND PINEAPPLE JAM

In making Pineapple Jam, use 5 times as much pear mixture as shredded Pineapple, 4 Lemons and 1 qt. of sugar to each gallon of fruit. Put the pears and lemons through the food chopper, using the coarsest attachment, the one that usually have three teeth. Put the fruit and sugar in the saucepan in alternate layers. Heat gradually to boiling point, stirring frequently to prevent burning. Let simmer until smooth and thick; something of the consistency of apple butter and when the fruit is well heated, it will be necessary to watch it closely to prevent burning. Do not cook too long, as the juice will thicken more on cooling. Four or five hours is time needed in the gentle simmering, depending upon the juiceness of the fruit and the amount of heat.

The Ladies' Aid No. 2 an Auxiliary of the St. Paul M. E. Church, met Sunday Sept. 27 at the residence of Mrs. S. J. Cullum; Sr. 1700-31st Ave. The meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. E. McLemore. The membership attendance was large as was the number of visitors. Some very timely and interesting remarks were made by the pastor Rev. M. T. J. Howard and visitors. This auxiliary was very glad, indeed, to have had these as visitors; Mr and Mrs. R. E. Watkins, Mrs. Lillie May, Mrs. Francis Eaton, Mrs. D. V. Frazier and Mrs. Louis Winchester.

After the business session the hostess served a splendid course of ice cream and cake which was enjoyed by all present.

To the members of Prospects Baptist Church See Mr. C. L. Edwards for your copy of the Weekly Echo.

Dear members and fellow officers, please don't become discouraged, it is more necessary to consentrate our minds and join our forces together in Mission work as never before. Twelve (12) months ago we started out in Mission work. Some have toiled on to a better and higher goal. The height of our ambition should be to put over a better program for God in the future than we have in the past. I hope you will elect a president that will give you a good service. I have tried to be a christian before you and feel that I have done my duty dependible.

I take this method of stating my appreciation to the "Good Mission Club" for the honor you bestowed upon me by electing me for your president for the past year. I have done my best as president under our conditions.

Yours for the uplift of the Negro race,

Miss Ocie Debruce, President.

Dr. and Mrs. William E. Miller of Boston, Mass., announce the birth of a son whom they have named Junior. Mrs. Miller will be rememberede as Marie Etna Coleman formerly of this city.

On Wednesday night "Popeye" Raymond Cambric was seen cramming his fists in his pockets, but a week prior he was seen pushing his fists in several persons noses. You'd better be careful "Popeye"

Miss Argutha Brown, 1654 49th Avenue left the city Wednesday September 23 for Rust College at Holly Springs, Miss. There she will enter the freshman class. Previous to her departure she was entertained at the residence of Mrs. B. A. Booze of South St. and 39th Avenue. The afternoon was enjoyed by those present, especially Messers. Lee Cochran and Tom Miller.

Card playing, radio, piano music was enjoyed, as was the splendid ice course which was served at a late hour.

CLEAN AND BEAUTIFY CNMETERIES

Mesdames M. M. Cullum and M. S. Edwards are asking the ladies of the city to cooperate with them in cleaning and beautifying the Laboring sons and Odd fellows cemeteries—We are asking that the various pastors of the city please announce this from their pulpits Sunday we wish it to be a city-wide campaign. We are asking each man who can possibly take a part to aid us in this campaign also. We are expecting each lady to prepare dinner for this occasion and get out on the grounds as early as possible to assist them—Hoping this will be interesting to each one that we may beautify the spot where our loved ones lay. At a very early date. For more information Call 3144W and 1419W.

Locals

Miss A. E. Thomas will arrive in the city today to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs A. M. Thomas.

Mr. G. C. Thomas of Mobile and formerly of this city, was here a few days ago having spent the week end with his family.

Prospect Baptist church aid club will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Edwards, 3316 10 avenue, this evening at 8:00 P. M. A large attendance is expected and much business anticipated. Please be present.

Calvary Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.

Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.

Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

Calvary Baptist Church Sunday School Classes for September

Class No. 1, Mrs. A. B. Moore	.77
Class No. 2., Mrs. Jessie Kelly	.00
Class No 3, Mrs R. B. Smith	.56
Class No. 4, Mrs. Mary Keeton	.45
Class No. 5, Mrs. A. Anderson	.66
Class No. 6, Mary Butcher	.00
Class No. 7, A. M. Davis	1.36
Class No. 8 (Debbora) Mrs. Dace	2.07
Class No. 9 (Albedemrich)	2.55
Class No. 10, Mrs. Alice Watkins	.67
Class No. 11 Bro James Outing	.59
Total By Classes	$9.68

The rehearsal of the pagent "Heaven Bound", was well attended Tuesday night. Mrs. Reese, the directress accounted for more than 135 participants. All were not present on account or previous engagements. The next rehearsal will be next Monday night when it is hoped every character will be present.

The Alumni Association of the Meridian Baptist Seminary met Tuesday night Sept. 28 at the Seminary. There was a large number present. Plans were made for a very constructive program, to be put over. The Association was divided into three groups as follows: East End Group, West End Group, Central Group.

W. M. Crockett, President '26.
H. Q. Needham, Sect'y. '27.

L. M. Did you read about the girl who was afraid to kiss her boy friend on account of germs?

Y. L. That's all right, my boy friend kisses so hard he kills them.

T. E. He's got nothing on my boy friend. He makes his kisses so hot, they're sterlized.

Miss Symerial McCarty one of the former students of Oak Park School and a popular young lady of the city, will leave Sunday October 4th, for Prentiss Normal Industrial College where she will take up her senior work.

Her address after this week, Box 117, Prentiss, Mississippi.

A. L. Young, Reporter.

Mrs. Hattie Mae Rodgers Falconer and her baby sister arrived at her home 1217 14 St. Sunday evening after a delightful stay in Detroit, Mich., for a period of four weeks visiting in Mt. Clement, Port Huron, Walkerville, Ontario, Canada. Other points of interest were visited also. On their way home they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Falconer 1801 Piggst Avenue, St. Louis, Illinois.

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H. B. A. HOLIDAY

Just look what has happened. A vacation for the H. B. A.s. This vacation ends January 1, 1931. My! My! what a big time the H. B. A.s are going to have! Rest! Plenty of rest to all local presidents and members. A little more than 90 days Drive for new members.

Joining Fee Is Now 50c

Twenty-five cents is to be sent to the office for new policies. Twenty-five cents is retained by the local presidents. Ha! Ha! Isn't this a knok Out? Ha! Ha! Friends, the H. B. A. is good and gone. Ha! Ha! 25c to the president and 25c to the office for a policy. If you mean that give me your hand Take it brother. Who put out this news? Brother, I think you are mistaken. Just read below

Bassfield, Miss. Sept. 1931—Rev. E. F. Young, General President—Dear Sir:- Do you mean that we have on a DISPENSATION and members are to join for 50c? 25c sent to the office and I retain 25c? Answer by Telegram. W. C. McLeod, President H. B. A. No. 57.

TELEGRAM

DEAR BROTHER McLEOD: I Mean all you asked. — Rev. E. F. Young, General President

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PRESIDENT McCOY CURES A SITUATION

PRESIDENT McCOY CURES UNEMPLOYMENT AT RUST COllEGE

By J. R. Reynolds, Registrar, Rust College

Long before commencement many Rust students were worrying about what they could do during the summer to earn money to return to school. All had heard of the dearth of employment in their communities. They carried their troubles to President McCoy. "We are worried," said they, "about earning money during vacation to return to school, there is nothing for us to do at home." "Join the Rust College, Self-Help Club," said the President, "and earn your own way in school." "But" they continued," "who will give us employment during the vacation?" "That will be my job," returned the President.

The president called in his farm manager, plans were made for planting large acreage in beans, tomatoes, corn, cabbage, beets and other vegetables suitable for canning. During the early spring boys who could spare a day from their classes to earn a needed dollar, also others whom necessity forced out of school were glad to heed the call of the farm manager for help with the truck. At close of school every available hand was given work in the truck gardens.

During the summer large crates and packages began to arrive from the freight and express offices. "What are all these?" was asked on every hand. "We shall soon see", said the President. A steampressure canner with derrick and full equipment was set up in what was soon to become the largest cannery in Marshall County. Then the packing began. Girls could put in much needed service in stringing beans, peeling tomatoes, coring apples, packing cans and various work about the packing plant. "Why do you pack in gallon cans?" several asked, "you can not sell them to the stores like that." "I do not plan to sell any," returned the President. Nearby orchards yielded bountifully in pears and apples which for lack of a market sold very cheap. Scores of bushels of these were swallowed up by the president's gallon cans.

Several presidents of other institutions, also many other educators passing through Holly Springs visited the cannery and were very much astonished at the volume of work accomplished: mountains of great cans almost touching the ceiling of the spacious Rust larder, barrels of Sauer Kraut with its pungent aroma, jars & jugs filled with preserves and pickles. "Why," said they, "you have enough to feed an army." "I expect to feed an army," answered the President.

Some thirty boys and girls on opening day entered school with the happy knowledge that their accounts in the office were on the right side of the ledger with little danger of running "red" before school closed. They had the added satisfaction that they had earned their way as member of the "Rust Colleg Self Help Club." It was not at all a picnic, the summer was hot and the days were long. A few grew tired of the strenous life, and gave up the struggle leaving for their homes. They have not returned. Seeing the success of the charter members many others have made up their minds to become members of the club another year.

The President is anxious to be in position to give work to all who apply in earnest. Says he, "I may find work for a hundred but this will be only a drop in the bucket to the number that ought to be given a chance to demonstrate whether or not they are really in earnest in their efforts for an education."

Dr. Barkley Delivers Address

White Friends Encourage Us

We have had many commendations and much encouragement from our White friends. They seem to think that thus far our paper is one of high class style and order. They think that the articles contributed by the members of our race are worth reading. Numbers of white people call by the office and purchase from one to one half doxen copies at once. As we said in the beginning, the Weekly Echo is no fighting or battling ground. It is not published for the purpose of stirring up strife and hatred; it is not designed to be destructive, but rather constructive.

DEATH

Rev. Griffin G. Logan, D. D. was born in this state, graduate of Rust University, Holly Springs, Miss., for some years President of Meridian Academy, afterwards Professor of Greek and Latin in Rust University.

For several years was a successful pastor and Presiding Elder in the upper Mississippi Conference, M. E. Church. Dr. Logan was then transferred to Lincoln Conference and assigned to a splendid M. E. Church in Omaha, Nebr. Having finished his terms of years at this charge was appointed District Superintendent, finished his terms of years, was then appointed Pastor at Tulsa, Okla., his last appointment was Little Rock, Ark. Here his health failed, gave up his charge and returned back to Omaha, his health continued to decline until the afternoon of October 4th, 1931, when the weary wheels of his life stood still.

He laves to mourn his passing his wife, Mrs. Magnolia Logan, (who is the daughter of our Dr. J. M. Shumpert, Pastor Haven Chapel in this city), his daughters, Mary Ann, and Fostoria D., his sons, Andrus M. and Shumpert Logan and a great many friends and relatives.

For his brilliancy and faithfulness as a preacher his church honored him by appointing him Secretary of the Missonary Society of the M. E. Church for several years, two times elected delegate to the General Conference.

"Servant of God well done
Thy gloriuos war-fare's past
The batlte's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last."

TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS NOW IN SESSION

At the last Convention a resolution introduced by the General President and Secretary requesting that the Association resolve itself into a Burial Department without any extra cost on any member passed unanimously. The Convention authorized the Officers to work out the details by which this Department should be operated; said details would be presented in the September Boards for confirmation or rejection. We are pleased to report to you, that we have worked out suitable plans and if accepted by the Boards, it will mean that each member who dies will receive more from the Association than heretofore. By buying caskets at a wholesale price for ourselves, we can furnish our own caskets that retail for a price of $75.00 each. If this particular casket is used and the Presidents collect as they have in the past, we are confident that we can pay at least from $170.00 to $190.00 in cash money. All of this depends upon the collections made by the Local Presidents.

The depression is now on and we must take some steps by which we can protect the members of our organization and pay the same amount with an opportunity to pay more. If we pay $175.00 in cash money and furnish our own casket at a retail price of $75.00, this means that the Association will pay $250.00 at the death of a member including casket, instead of $220.00 without the casket.

All Presidents are to notify the office as soon as a member dies, who is in good standing with both Local and General Bodies. The Casket will be shipped to the nearest railroad point at the expense of the Association. In view of the fact that we have members that belong to Burial Association, we offer this suggestion: That all members who are buried by Burial Associations other than the H. B. A. have an opportunity to sell the casket that belongs to them back to the Association at cost. In other words we suggest that our members who belong to Burial Association, and, who are otherwise buried, and who do not use the H. B. A. Casket that these persons will be paid as we now pay. If the collections amount to $220.00, these members will receive $220.00, on the same basis that the Association is now running, provided this amount is collected by the Presidents. If in the event members die who want a better casket than the one used by the H. B. A., said casket may be exchanged as a tradein with the Undertakers by the relative of the deceased; the member paying the difference. If in the event, we have members who prefer to continue as they have here-to fore, and, not use the H. B. A. Casket, we suggest that these members be permitted to do so by receiving their prorata share of whatever amount collected. All Robes, Embalming, rolling Stock, gloves, etc., will be paid for by the members. The H. B. A. furnishing a casket only.

E. F. Young, General President
E. F. Young, Jr., General V-Pres.
R. L. Young, General Secretary.

Ice By Contract

The Southern United Ice Co., of this city is putting out an attractive Ice Contract which begins October 15th, and, ends March 15th, 1932. For further information regarding this contract call 520 and an agent will gladly call to see you. This Ice Company gives employment to a large number of people and may it be said to the credit of this Company that a large number of our own people are given jobs. Let us never forget those who make it possible for our wives and chidren to live more comfortable. Let the ministers never forget that concerns giving employment to our people are supporting us indirectly.

Dear Brother Young:

I want to commend you for the splendid service you are rendering your community in the publishing of the Echo. The character of this publcation is very commendable. I am glad of your success in this because of several abortive attempts to publish a local Negro paper in Meridian.

Short spicy articles like that one "Go forward," by Prof. Reese are very helpful and interesting, while long articles and lugubrious sermons destroy interest, rather than build a paper. I am inclosing an article which may be of interest to your readers, and which you may use if you can find space.

Thanking you for your fine courtesy, I am

Yours very truly,
J. R. Reynolds, Registrar
Box 529.
Holly Springs, Miss.

Don't oppress the weak because you are strong.

DIETARY CONSIDERATION IN THE TREATMENT OF PYORRHEA

(By Dr. A. B. Blackwell, Dentist)

There are many indications that diet and nutrition play an important part in the problems of pyorrhea and tooth decay. The first experimental caries (decay) was produced in guinea pigs by feeding diets deficient in the antiscorbutic vitamin. It was observed that dental caries occured in many of the rats fed various forms of deficient rations. Rats when fed on a normal and well-balanced diet were not so affected.

Races which are conspicuously free from dental caries and gum troubles as a rule live on a very simple diet in which rational foods predominate. There are indications that the high incidence of the disease among civilized people is related to an unnatural and inadequate dietary regimen.

The mouth is a readily visible and fairly accurate barometer of the health of the digestive tract. And most of the diseases from which adults are dying prematurely in increasing numbers begin in the intestinal tract, usually with constipation. Debility of the intestinal tract is followed by debility of the soft tissues of the mouth. The Dentist is peculiarly well fitted to assist in making a diagnosis in such cases.

In a case of a patient after a very thorough examination by the physician and his laboratory ruling out systemic infections, intestinal deformation and the like, it was diagnosed as a deficiency disease. (A dificiency disease is one resulting from an insufficiency of one or more of the essential elements in the food) The teeth were loose, unhealthy gum conditions with pus about many of the teeth and constipation.

Because this patient had not habitually eaten foods which contained the necessary elements and the system craved them, only foods in which they were not present was consumed in large quantities. This patient thought all foods should be digestible, so cooked fruits, refined cereals, white bread, meat and potatoes, eggs, fish, many sweets, tea and coffee were eaten. All of these were so completely digestible that there was insufficient bulk to maintain intestinal action, and constipation ensued. Very powerful and dangerous poisons were retained in the colon. The liver and kidneys were over worked and could not eliminate all the poisons, so that some of them got into the tissue. In a word, this patient was being poisoned to death by the consequences of an unbalanced ration. At least 1½ pounds of cellulose daily was needed and this could be supplied by the white skin of oranges, the bran of the whole grain preparations, and the fibres of the vegetables. Sugar from liberal quantities of orange juices was needed.. Much milk, but not much tea or physician and regular visits to the coffee, nor any candy, icre cream or soda water.

After appropriate treatment by the dentist, the loose teeth become firm, the gum color improved the teeth took on a new luster and the bodily improvement was marked.

Mr. A. G. Sampson of the Peoples Funeral Home, Jackson, Miss., was in the city Wednesday and Thursday on business. Mr. Sampson is one of the leading Undertakers of the State. While in the city he joined the H. B. A., and is now lined up for real work.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Ludwig Major, 1509-29th Avenue, announce the birth of a son, C. Ludwig Major, Jr., Saturday October 3rd, at 4:10 A. M.

TRASH WAGON DRIVER DIED

Ranger, Tex., Sept. 30—A negro trash wagon driver who died here Saturday has been identified as Buck Carter, one of the heirs to an oil estate valued at more than $1,000,00.

Under the alias of "Bill Davis," the negro worked as a trash hauler here for ten years. Before death he told neighbors who he was and they notified relatives.

Officers and relatives from Oklahoma arrived here Wednesday and confirmed the identification.

Carter was the son of a negro farmer who owned land in the Carter Pool area.

A reward of $10,000 had been offered for information leading to his whereabouts, but Carter had concealed his identity in the belief he was in trouble over mortgaged property.

SURPRISE PARTY

Rev. Roy L. Young had the surprise of his life Friday evening Oct. 2nd, when his wife, Mrs. R. L. Young, had quietly planned a surprise birthday party for him. Messrs. Henry Strayhorn, Jno. S. Beal, and Dr. L. F. Brooks were successful in keeping him out until about seven o'clock and, were then swift enough to reach his home before he arrived. In order to keep him out they had to remove some parts of his car so that he could not get it started, but they did the job successfully. Having become impatient and peeved over the act, not knowing what it was all about, he drove home and came in with a very sullen and indiferent expression on his face. He was met at the door by Mrs. Young who took him by the arm and led him into the living room where he found a lively and enthusiastic bunch of his men friends awaiting his arrival. The dining room light was then turned on and his attention was dirtcted to a well set table. On it was a beautiful birthday cake decorated with nile, green, and pink to harmonize with the general color scheme. Smiles then took the place of frowns, and he was almost lost for speech. A delicious three course lunch was served and everybody enjoyed themselves immensely. After lunch, Maggie Juanita, Rev. Young's little daughter, carried the basket of gifts in and Mr. H. Strayhorn, who served as master of ceremonies presented them. Those who had lunch with him were his father, Rev. E. F. Young, Brothers, Messrs, R. W., E. F., Jr., and Thos Young; brother-in-law, Mr. J. W. Smith, Messrs. H. Strayhorn, John S. Beal, W. C. Baity, Rev's. J. M. Shumpert, M. Williams, and, Dr. L. F. Brooks, Mrs. Elsie Perrin, Mrs. E. F. Young, Jr., and Mrs. Lula Beal assisted Mrs. Young in serving

PASTOR RETURNS

The Rev. G. C. Borroum returned from Forest Saturday morning where he spent a week preaching in a revival for the Rev. J. W. Wise. Seven persons were taken into the church and baptised friday night.

The nearer the date of the conference draws the heavier Rev. Borroum's heart becomes.

Poor Borroum hates to ever think of being sent to some other appointment.

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ADDRESS BY WHITE PHYSICIAN

Officers and members of the H. B. A. and friends; for I feel that I can call mots of you that know me, friends. I deem it an honor to be asked to address you, because I have a great respect for your Organization. I believe that in the H. B. A. you have made great progress in solving your financial and economical problems. Not only that, but I consider the H. B. A. fills a very real and vital need in your lives by bringing you closer together; in a social communion that every body of people needs to be happy and contented. And it has also shown you that you cannot live alone, but that you are dependant upon one another for a successful home and community life. There is nothing more uplifting and stabilizing to a community than a coordination of interest in a high class order as manifested by the H. B. A. It gives you a feeling of cooperation and responsibilty for each others welfare that nothing else will accomplish, and there was never a greater need for this than now in these dark days of economical depression. In this respect I wish to congratulate your organizer and officers upon the business and systematic way your lodge is conducted. I feel sure that the good man who organized your H. B. A. has a very real understanding of the needs of his Race and the word Benevolent is not an empty term with him. Also in the local lodges whom I have served as Physician I find the highest type of Officers have been chosen. I have found them to be loyal to members, Lodge and Physicians alike, courteous and dependable, and my long experience with them I have never known them to refuse a worthy call.

To my mind one of the finest appeals appeals the H. B. A. makes is the absolute certainity of relief and succor in time of need. I have had wide experience with the various Insurance Companies in which you people usually invest, and I have had to spend much time in correspondence and useless wrangling to secure the just benefits due you for the death and sickness of some members of the family, but but I have never known the H. B. A. to fail you.

But my adice to you as your Physician would be to select your members with care, and by that I mean the practice of taking in chronic invalids Neurotics, etc., would mean the financial ruin of any local lodge if indulged in to any great extent, and as I understand the H. B. A., that is not its real purpose.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation of the cooperation I have always had from the Officers and Committees.

Dear Editor:-

Please publish through the echo this article that the many readers of the Echo may know our sorrow; Lodge No. 344 has lost a faithful member, one in the person of Sister Hannah Tribbett. She started with us in the beginning and stood with us until the end. She was taken with a malady about two months ago, and suffered seriously, but was cared for by H. B. A. hands. Sister Tribbett was a faithful member of Mason Chapel Baptist Church and was faithful in her Lodge On September 23, 1931 death claimed her. We will miss her in our Church and Lodge. She leaves to mourn her passing, a husband, son, father, and a host of friends, white and colored. We hope to meet her some day in a land where we will part no more.

J. H. Boney, Pres.

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EDITORIAL

The Weekly Echo is still going over in a high class style. We are pleased to know that so many mothers and fathers are interested to the extent that they are even coming to the office to get copies of the Echo for their boys to sell. Never have we had a greater response for any movement than the response has been for the Echo. We appreciate the articles appearing from time to time by our friends. As has been said it takes the people to make a Newspaper interesting. Mr. Fred Chalmus, our circulation Manager has seen to it that there is an increase in the sale of the papers each week. Last week we sold all papers printed, except three or four that we filed away for our records.

We are pleased to know that the Four Square Club members are making such splendid showing. The members of this club are making a deposit of 10c each week as a Christmas saving account. The Weekly Echo will give 5 or 10 weeks free contribution to all the members Christmas week.

We Have Closed Nine Successful Board Meetings

Our First Board was held at Pinola, Mississippi with President S. L. Walker, and, his good people. Pinola with Walker as President and leader of his people know no failure. On the next meeting we found ourselves at Collins, Mississippi with President Handy Barnett. Handy is the right name. He is really handy. His people seem to like him and the Board was largely attended by both Presidents and members with a large gathering of visitors.

Our Third session was held at the old Historic spot, Lauderdale, Mississippi, Lodge No. 31, Miss Vallie Thorntorn President. Those Lauderdale folks tried themselves. We felt that Pinola and Collins had put the fence so high that the rest of the Presidents could not surpass them in entertaining the Boards, but boys we will have to give it to Mrs. Thornton; they stepped a country mile.

Our Fourth Session brough us to DeKalb, Miss., with the "Bad Boy, C. A. Neely." The less I say about Neely, the better it will be. Neely is a cat, a bear cat at that.

Our Fifth Session was held at Forest, Miss., with Rev. M. Thomas as President. This was our first time to hold a board at Forest. The attendance was very good. We were of the opinion that Rev. Thomas would make a poor showing when it comes to entertaining the Board, but when we were through, he hit the belt. They had tubs and buckets of lemonade for the delegates and visitors FREE. Boys you can't beat them.

Our Sixth session was held at Desoto with a little giant, President McGlothin, those Desoto folks know exactly how to make you feel good. We want t go to Desoto again, and we hope they will not be long calling us.

Our Seventh Session was held at Cliftonville, Miss., with President Claud Gavin. Those Cliftonville folks came from every direction. We could hardly take in the reports for "sniffing and snuffing, that odoriferous perfume," had us all upset. Claud Gavin and his folks put over one of the best programs that we witnessed.

Our Eighth Session found us at Richton, Miss., with B. H. Seals as Local President. This was our first time at Richton with the board, and, you may imagine just what a time we would have.

Our Ninth and last Session was held at Stateline, with E. D. Burley, Local President. Now friends we had a big time everywhere and Burley and his people thought it, so they decided to put on the finishing touch, and I mean they did it. President Burley seems to have had the most perfect organized Local Lodge that we visited. President Burley didn't do anything, but give orders. He had a young man known as D. T.; among H. B. A.'s there, we must confess that D. T. was up on his job. He is the most perfect D. T. that we have seen. We voted to go back to Stateline for the next board, but in order to give Stateline a fair deal we decided to wait a little while and not go back in December.

DRAVIN
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Dravin Dry Goods Co. are holding their 6th Anniversary Sale they are offering a tremendous stock of new fall merchandise at the lowest prices Meridian has ever known. This store is selling merchandise at lower prices than ever before in its history. But will not sacrifice quality in doing so.
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COLLECTIONS EQUAL $10,000.00

As we go to press our collections for this quarter have reached $10,000. It is almost a miracle as to how our folks have struggled to raise this amount of money. We want to tell the Local Prsidents to continue sending in the correspondence for delinquent members. We have had some fall off in membership, because of the depression, and, it will be necessary that we use all efforts to collect from every member.

We have paid 36 claimants $200.00 each, and we will mail out checks for the balance as soon as the Presidents are through collecting from delinquent members. If your members are not sick, the General President has advised that you send back the claims for September without charging a renewal fee.

SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLAR CASKETS FREE TO ALL H B. A.'s WHO DIE

At the last Convention a law passed unamiously that the Holbrook Benevolent Association resolve itself into a Burial Department without any cost or extra fee upon the members. In other words each member who dies in the H. B. A. purchases his or her own casket. The details of this proposition was to be worked out by the officers and presented in the September Boards for confirmation or rejection.

ELEVEN VOTES AGAINST CONFIRMATION, 439 IN FAVOR

The proposition worked out by the Officers was presented in nine boards. There were eleven Presidents who voted against the proposition and 439 in favor of the proposition. Those who opposed the proposition didn't oppose because of not being in harmony with the concern, but they were not able at that particular time to see the great benefits that would be derived from this law by the members. They only voted against it for a better understanding.

YOUNG LADY JOINS THE CLUB

We are pleased to know that one of the young ladies attending Wechsler High School has joined the Four Square Club in the person of Miss Sarah Mercer. Miss Mercer says that she is going to head the list. She is going to sell more papers than anybody else. Last week was her first time to sell. She came to our office stating that she was in school and that she had been informed that we would help her by giving her something to do. She has shown her willingness to work. We readily agreed for her to sell papers. She leads the list in selling for last week, with a total of 53. Look out boys Miss Mercer is putting over the job in high class style.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method to try to express our thanks to our many friends for the kindness to us during the sickness and death of our beloved niece wife and sister. We thank both White and Colored for the lovely flowers. We thank St. Elizabeth M. E. Church and their hosts of members also other churches for their courtesies.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Terrell, Uncle and Aunt.
Mrs. Sallie Harris, Sister.
Mrs. Willie L. Nelson, Sister.
Mrs. M. Johnson, Sister.
Miss Lillie McCann, Sister.
Miss Mary McCann, Sister.
Mr. Percy McCann, Brother.
Mr. Flozell Madison, Husband.

WORTH WHILE SECTION

There is no section in the State of Mississippi that bids fairer for a Newspaper than Meridian, and, there is no better place in the State of Mississippi to work among the white people than Meridian. We consider our white friends in and around Meridian to be the best that Mississippi affords. If we thought otherwise, we would go to that section of the State. There are no better colored people to work with in the Newspaper business than those in and around Meridian. I think I have read about all of the papers published in Mississippi, by our race, and, we are of the opinion that ours is the best. Let's continue the growth and development of the Weekly Echo, let's continue to write comomn sense articles that the public will delight in reading.

Messrs. Joe Buckley, Jessie Sterling, and Joe Ruffin Goodwin, Laurel, Miss. were guests of Misses Sarah Ruth Mercer and Earsell Deloach, 3212-10th Street.

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11:00 o'clock Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion service is the first Sunday in each month.

Trustee day is the third sunday at 11 o'clock.

Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church

9:30 Sunday School.

11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion day, second sunday in each month. Official board is Monday night after the second sunday in each month.

Lampton Chapel A. M. E. Church

The regular pastoral day the fourth Sunday in each month.

The public is cordially invited to these services in each month.

New Pospect Baptist Church

9th Avenue and 20th Street Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays.

9:40 Sunday School.

Preaching 11:30 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

5:30 P. M. B. Y. P. U.

Club each Friday night at different homes.

E. L. WEEKS, Clerk,
C. J. BOYKINS, Pastor.

Haven Chapel M. E. Church

J. M. Shumpert, Pastor.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church
The Welcome Corner

13th Avenue and 14th Street.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., R. W. Young, Supt.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor.

31st Avenue Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.

Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Calvary Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.

Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.

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MOCK WEDDING

Don't forget the date of mock wedding at Calvary Baptist Church, which is to be at 8 o'clock Friday night, Oct. 16, 1931.

The Bride is Mrs. Georgia Harris and the Groom is Mr. Hayward Summerall.

All those participating are asked to come to practice Sunday evening at 4 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Shaw, Sponsors.

HOLDS SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE

The Rev. I. E. Fields Jr., Presiding Elder of the Meridian Distric, held a very successful quarterly conference at Bethel A. M. E. Church sunday night Oct. 4th and 5th. Rev. Fields preached a wonderful sermon at 11 o'clock. It also being pastoral day, the pastor preached at night. Monday night the business session of the Conference was held, all reports were excellent. After the reports were taken in, the different boards made presentations to the presiding Elder and his wife. The members and friends gave a number of jars of fruits. A reception was given afterwards.

Robert Payne, Reporter.

Mrs. Hattie Bessie Kelly 3404 11th Street, has almost completely recovered from a recent illness which lasted for a period of three weeks.

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H. B. A. HOLIDAY

Just look what has happened. A vacation for the H. B. A.s. This vacation ends January 1, 1932. My! My! what a big time the H. B. A.s are going to have! Rest! Plenty of rest to all local presidents and members. A little more than 90 days Drive for new members.

Joining Fee Is Now 50c

Twenty-five cents is to be sent to the office for new policies. Twenty-five cents is retained by the local presidents. Ha! Ha! Isn't this a knock Out? Ha! Ha! Friends, the H. B. A. is good and gone. Ha! Ha! 25c to the president and 25c to the office for a policy. If you mean that give me your hand Take it brother. Who put out this news? Brother, I think you are mistaken. Just read below

Bassfield, Miss. Sept. 1931—Rev. E. F. Young, General President—Dear Sir:- Do you mean that we have on a DISPENSATION and members are to join for 50c? 25c sent to the office and I retain 25c? Answer by Telegram. W. C. McLeod, President H. B. A. No. 57.

TELEGRAM

DEAR BROTHER McLEOD: I Mean all you asked. — Rev. E. F. Young, General President

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NUMBER OF NEGRO CHILDREN JUMPS IN LAST CENSUS

Washington, Oct.—The statement that "fewer youngsters and more old people are shown by the Census Bureau in the population of the United States today than were counted a decade ago" is not borne out by the figures as far as the Negro population is concerned. For while 38.8 per cent of the total population or 47,608,991 of the grand total of 122, 775,048 are children 19 years of age or under, the Negro children of those groups form approximately 43 per-vent or 5,100, 6'7 of the total Negro population of 11,891,143.

Children under 5 years of age all classes of the population in 1930 numbered 11,573, 220, but in 193) dropped to 11, 444,390, a decrease of nearly 129,000. This loss, however, was partly made up by the increase in the Negro children under 5 years of age which stood at 1,143,099 in 1920, but increased to 1,230,206 in 1930, a gain of nearly 87,000.

ECHO- READERS,
Dear Ones:

With a determination to extend to you our favorable services and inform you as to our actions, we make the following statements: Only those write ups (news sent for publication) will be published that are typewritten, legibly or plainly written and on one side of paper, with proper punctuations and composition, otherwise we are not responsible. Remembering, however, that the exactness and brevity of words will greatly aid us in serving.

Articles, programs, visits, departures, club and local news, church, and social news are published free when there are no prices attached. If any of the above have prices will receive same consideration as advertisements, and will be rated as same. All news later than Wednesday afternoon will be published in the next week's issue.

Gratefully yours,
The Weekly Echo

PAYS DARROW $2000 RETAINER

New York—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has sent its check for $2,000 to Clarence Darrow as a retainer on his fee for participating in the defense of the 8 Negro boys sentenced to death in Scottsboro, Ala.

Mr. Darrow has consentgd to go before the Supreme Court of State of Alabama and make one of the arguments on appeal for a reversal of the convictions and new trials.

The N. A. A. C. P. is prepared, if necessary, to carry these cases on appeal to the U S. Supreme Court relying on the precedent set in the Arkansas cases, where that Court held that a mob-dominated trial was not due process of law.

Bills of exceptions supporting the petition for appeal cure defint decision from that Court on this issue through another case which may be carried there.

September 29, 1931.
Dear Editor:-

I want to say to the many readers of The Weekly Echo, that Lodge No. 139 had their Annual Sermon the third Sunday in September. We had our General Secretary with us to preach our sermon. He preached a soul stirrin gsermon, his text was, "Faith is the substance of things hoped for the evidence of things not seen." He preached and preached, until he got a shout in the camp. Some of our distinguised visitors were, Mrs. R. L. Young, Misses Lenora Young, Minnie Cole, Presidents: Bro. I. English, Lodge No. 69, D. B. Borders, Lodge No. 9, A. T. Shadwick, No. 11. We had a splendid congregation. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed themselves. We had plenty of dinner on the ground. After everybody eating a plenty, we carried about half of our dinner back home. A short program was rendered and the service was turned over to the General Secretary, after preaching a soul stirring sermon, he came down and raised the collection.

The collection was $14.00.

Jack Davis, President
Julia C. Davis, Reporter.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

The Lowest Bible Class of Calvary Baptist Church met Wednesday evening at 4:30 P. M. The were nineteen present. The Central thought of the lesson was "Is to improve Jesus to the world through exvalted".

Mrs. M. E. Jenkins, Pres.
Mrs. A. M. Davis, Sec'ty.

Locals

Miss Minnie Cole who underwent a throat operation about a week ago is now able to be out again, and, will soon be able to be active as usual as a chour and club member of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church.

Mr. Frank Steward the husband of Mrs. A. F. Steward on Eeight Avenue, has been ill for more than one month. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Callie Wingate is opening up a woodyard. She and Mr. Wingate are doing nicely in the grocery business.

The H. B. A. Office has just received a shipment of 25 Caskets. The Association is furnishing a casket to all deceased members.

When Louis Pasteur demonstrated how liquid in a covered flask would remain sterile, while that in an open flask would show signs of germ life, he proved that the doctrine of spontaneous generation was a myth. Dr. Claude Lillingston relates in Hygeia how Pasteur showed that life can spring only from life itself.

Mrs. Priscilla Mae Weathers and Miss Effie McNair, sisters of Miss Rachel McNair, will arrive in the city Saturday to spend a few days as guests of Mrs. Georgia Barefield, 1927 30th Avenue.

Sunday School at 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.

B. Y. P. U. at 5:00 o'clock P. M., M. M. Cross, Pres.; Mrs. A. B. Moore, Vice-Pres.

Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

Miss Janie B. Timmons is doing nicely at the Anderson's Infirmary.

The Circle of Truth met Monday evening at 5:30 P. M. at the home of Mrs. Jeanneta Goodman there was a very enjoyable service. The topic of discussion was LOVE.

Sis. Lillie Cross, Leader
Sis. M. E. Jenkins, Sec'y
Sis Earleen Johnson, Treas.
Geo. Harris, Pres.

The circle of Faith met at the home of sister Arene Winright, Tuesday at 5:30 P. M. had a enjoyable service. There was no topic. A short program was rendered.

Sis. A. Hall, Leader
Sis. A. M. Davis, Sec'y
Sis. Hatie Davis, Treas.
Geo. Harris, Pres.

The funeral of Rev. H. C. Thompson was held at the Calvary Baptist church Sunday, October 4th at 2:30 P. M. The Rev. J. T. Davis, preached. Many other preachers were present Churches donating on the funeral were:

Calvary Baptist Church	$16.65
Savannah Grove Baptist	5.60
New Cannon Baptist	1.00
Mt. Olive Baptist	1.00
St. John Baptist	1.00
Total collection	$25.25

Notice and stop at Mrs. Thelma Walker's place, 1st Street and 31st Avenue for cold drinks and sandwiches of all kind.

Mrs. M. E. Gibbs 824 27th Avenue is sick in bed and will be very glad to have her friends call to see her.

Mrs. E. A. Finley, General director of th Second Newhope B. Y. P. U. convention is asking all the local presidents and directors to be present at

Monday morning, October 5th, the Pleasant Ridge Public school opened its 1931-1932 session. A program was rendered under the auspices of the P. T. A. The program was enjoyed by every one present. A large number of patrons were present and gave some very encouraging remarks to both teachers and children. The president, Mrs. E. J. Cole, outlined her program for this session. We hope to make this the most successful term in the history of the school. There was an enrollment of 42 on the opening day.

Mrs. Annie M. Key, Teacher

HOUSEHOLD HINTS—BY MISS FANNIE B. NELSON

FOOD FOR GODS

½ lb. English Walnuts or pecans.
¼ lb. Dates cut fine
3½ Teaspoonfuls cracker crumbs
1 Vup granulated sugar
3 eggs beaten seperately
1 Tablespoonful baking powder mixed with cracker crumbs.

Mix with dates and nuts with sugar. Add cracker crumbs then add eggs, bake in slow over ½ hour. Cut in squares when cold and serve with whipped cream.

Nut Pie

1 Cup White Karo Syrup
1 Tablespoonful butter
2 eggs beaten good
1 Cup pecan meats
1 Teaspoon vanilla extract. Cook in a slow oven.

Pie Crust

1 Cup flour
2 Tablespoonful cold lard
2 Tablespoon water—cut and mix lard with flour, add water and roll out. a

Ice Box Rools

Scald two cups sweet milk, add ½ cup lard, ½ cup sugar let cool, add yeast cake dissolved in ½ cup milk, add four cups flour, beat until smooth and set aside to use, until double, in warm place. Add 1 teaspoonful salt, ½ teaspoonful baking powder, ¼ teaspoonful soda. Beat good. Add more flour knead out on board until consisted of Biscuits, roll out ½ inch thick, cut with Biscuit cutter, spread butter on top; fold over, put in pan, let rise for 2½ hours.

The P. T. A. of the Quitman Jr. Hi held its regular meeting Thursday, October 1st, 1931 in the School Auditorium, when the following program was rendered:

Song, Where He Leads—Assembly.
Scripture—Mrs. Pearl Huff.
Vocal Solo, My Task—Miss J. B. Mitchell.
Prayer—Mrs. Maggie Donald.
Remarks—Mrs. M. B. Cartier.
Piano Solo, Sunset;Dellafield—Miss Bertha Mae Walker.

The P. T. A. knowing the many needs of our school has decided that our campus needs terracing very badly and has come to our rescue having planned a work day, Friday, October 16th, 1931, in order that we might beauty our school. Many thanks to our P. T. A. may they continue the good work.

Mrs. Estella Brown, Pres.
Mrs. Mittie Brown, Secretary

QUITMAN NEWS

By Miss J. B. MITCHELL

Notes from Pearlie Grove Baptist Church

We as soldiers in the army of the Lord realize that in order to do our bit this war against sin must put on the whole armour of faith. With this in mind our pastor and the officials of our church have seen fit to launch a great Evengelistic campaign in our town beginning Monday, October 12. "The fight is on Christian soldiers and face to face in stern array with colors gleaming and banners streaming the right and wrong engage today".

Rev. M. J. Barlow, Pastor

School Notes

The Intermediate Department of the Quitman Jr. High, entertained the faculty and student body in the school auditorium with a Musical and Literary Program which was highly enjoyed by all present. Work for the Scholastic year 1931-32 is advancing with unusual interest.

There are many manifestations oft a promising semester.

Miss B. M. Walker,
Prof. J. E. Cartier, Prin.

LOCAL ELITE PREPARES FOR GALA AFFAIR, OCTOBER 12th

The liveliest spot in the Queen City Mondy night, will be the PALACE ROYALLE, to which hundreds of Meridian's society pleasure seekers will wind their way, to dance to the colorful, elaborately rhythmed jazz tunes of the Southland Troubadours, featuring LITTLE BROTHER MONTGOMERY, in the form of a JACK-O-LANTERN DANCE, given for the Wechsler Athletic Association.

Social Meridian will be these, full of exuberant vitality incased in beautiful, petite figures, athletic, handsome men, all, engaging in their effortless, graceful dance the embodiment of supreme joy, to the stomping rhythm, hot music and waltz tunes of the Southland Troubadours.

We shall see you Monday-nite at the Palace Royalle, Meridian's Social Center.

Mrs. M. J. Barlow wife of the Rev. M. J. Barlow, pastor of the Pearlie Grove Baptist Church was in the city Friday, October 2nd, while here she was the guest of Prof. and Mrs. J. E. Cartier and Faculty.

The P. T. A. presented the school with a supply of brooms Monday, October 5th, 1931.

Mrs. Estella Brown, President
Mrs. Mittie Brown, Secretary
Prof. J. E. Cartier, Gen. President

MEETING

The Central (Red line group) of the Seminary Alumni met October 6, at the home of Mrs. W. C. Baity, 1512 28th Avenue. The Meeting was well attended and plans were made to raise the quota of the group.

The Central Group includes everybody between 35th and 23rd Avenues

Let all Alumni, young and old, write to the president, in care of the Meridian Baptist Seminary, please write and get our plans and cooperate with us in putting over a great program for Negro Education.

The next meeting will be Wednesday night October 14, at the home of Mrs. Maggie Sumerald, 1211 31st Avenue.

J. B. Pettus, Reporter

There will be a silver tea given at St. James A. M. E. parsonage 3508 7th Street tonight. You are cordially invited to attend. Mesdames E. A. Murrell and B. Arnold.

Officers are as follows:

Mrs. Sene Clay, President
Mrs. B. A. Mesley, Vice-Pres.
Mrs. Louise Lewis, Sec'y
Mrs. Ida Hall, Asst. Sec'y
Mrs. Ida P. Daniels, Treasurer

Social Committee:

Mrs. Martha Davis, Chairman
Misses Katherine Mesley,
Inez Stringfellow,
Elmetta Burwell,
Alice Mae Key,
Mrs. Ida Daniels, Instructor.

Sunday, Actober 4th was a high day at the St. James, Rev. Murrell was at his best, the morning sujest being: "Dwelling in the presence of God" for the afternoon the subject was "Hell what and where is it?" Sunday, October 11th and 12th will be the last quarterly conference for the year. The presiding Elder I. E. Fields will preach morning and evening.

Miss Bertha Brantley, Reporter

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

Sunday School—9:30 A M.
Preaching—11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M.
A. C. E. League—6:30 P. M.
Rev. W. H. Murrell, D. D., Pastor

Mt. Siahia separate district school opened with a large attendance and the enrollment of thirty eight. The program program consisted of short talks from the parents and teachers after which the P. T. A. was organized.

Miss Ruby Pringle of New Orleans, formerly of Meridian is visiting Miss Ida Henderson 2620 St. Luke Street. Miss pringle is planing to inter Meridian Baptist Seminary School,

Mr. Robert Brown of Hamner Alabama, is visiting his daughter Mrs. Margaret Jones, 1215-35th Ave. Mrs. Jones is confined to bed due to illness

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Miss Mattie L. Larkin, Stenographer of the Holbrook Benevolent Association is now sick at her home. We wish for her a speedy recovery

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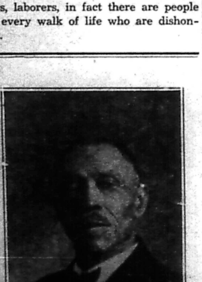
WHY NOT PAY OUR HONEST DEBTS?

Should People Face Obligations Or Dodge Them

A large number of people make debts, to some it is an honor, to others a dishonor. Among men and women of all walks of life we find some who are honest, some who will pay their debts, whereas on the other hand we find some who are dishonest, who will not pay their debts, who will dodge them, who will render numerous excuses. We should ask ourselves this question. What credit or what benefit does one derive from being dishonest? If you are dishonest, if you are not truthful, if you can not be depended upon, it's generally known among all classes of people, not only is it known it's discussed. It appears as if some people will refrain from paying just debts and at the same time feel that it's an honor. If a man owes another man and will not pay him, he should not think that the person to whome he isindebted, does discuss his character and reputation, it's useless to think that the man whom you owe and dodge never says anything against you, for he does.

all of us are hard pressed, and, can't meet our obligations as we desire, but we can at least give ourcreditors consideration to the extent that we will go to their office and show that we are willing to do. But there are a number of people who will walk a mile, if they are in rural, and in the city they will walk blocks to dodge the people whom they owe. There are some people who will not go shopping until night in order to avoid seeing their creditors. There are some people, though they maybe sick will not visit the Doctor's office during the day fearing they may meet some of their creditors. There are some people who will become angry, if you ask them to pay you your honest money. Why not be real men and women with good reputations, why not pay your debts, and, if you can not pay as the creditors desire, give them some kind of satisfaction? If you are bad and slow about paying your debts, don't think that it is not generally known among the people. All business people have more respect for a person who isdependable than they have for one who is not dependable. If you do not think that you are able to pay for a thing, don't buy it. There are a lot of things we are able to pay for, we should not buy. Let us not think that there is only one class of people who will not pay their debts, there are preachers, teachers,lawyers, Doctors, laborers, in fact there are people in every walk of life who are dishonest.



Mr. Frank Berry, Manager of Berry & Gardner Undertaker. Meridian, Miss.

Black Cats Vs Lanier Tigers at Jackson

Mr. Isom English, in the employment of the Railroad for 40 years, President of H. B. A. lodge No. 69, Trustee of the Holbrook Benevolent Association.

EL BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH PROGRAM

A special program has been arranged for Sunday October 18th, 3:30 p. m.

Prayer	Mr. A. J. Riser
Song	Ensemble
Reading	Miss Mamie Barett
Solo	Mrs. Odie M. Shaw
Quartet	Ebernizer Church
Inst.	Miss Ruby Clark
Pauer	Mrs. Wingate
Oration	Mr. John Walker
Solo	Mrs Wilson
Reading	Mrs. Gossie Prentiss
Quartet	Baptist Seminary
Solo	Mr. J. B. Pettus
Inst. Solo	Miss L. Sherrod
Reading	Mrs. L. B. Kimball
Quartet	Rose Hill Church
Reading	Miss Sarah Hunter
Inst. Solo	Mrs. J. P. Reese
Sermon	Rev. P. F. Howze
Collection	Silver Offering
Sponsors Messrs	G. Williams, Jones, Robert and Kimall.

The public is cordially invited

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this little space and try to thank the many friends for the kindness done during the death of our beloved son and brother, HollieGaines We feel very grateful and appreciate the kindness which was shown through words and deeds.

Mr. Albert Gaines, Father
Mrs. Lillie Gaines Mother
Miss Geneva C. Gaines, Sister
Mr. Alphonza Gaines, Brother
Miss Mildred Gaines, Sister
Mr. Clifton Gaines, Brother
Mr. Theodore Gaines, Brother

Quitman, Miss.

By Miss J. B. Mitchell

"School News"

The Senior Class met and organized for work, and elected the following officers:

President	Augusta B. Sumrall
Vice-Pres.	Luther Bonner
Secretary	Mary A. Brown
Asst. Sec'y	Ethel L. Mullen
Treas.	Leona R. Reed
Sponsor	Miss J. B. Mitchell

The School work is progressing very nicely this year as had been allother years and we are looking forward to a very progressive year. Everyone seems to know her or his duty and has gone about it with zeal. Our six week period test will be given this week and reports will be given out today (Fridey October 16th, 1931)

We are indeed very thankful to the Editors and Managers of the Weekly Echo for allowing us space in their paper to publish our various activities.

Signed this 16th day of October 193
Mrs. M. B. Cartier, Miss Mamie Barlowe, Miss B. M. Walker, Miss J. B. Mitchell, Prof. J. E. Cartier, Prin.

Mr. Henry Strayhorn, Manager of Beal & Strayhorn Undertaking Establishment.

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THE FOOLISH O RNER

(By C. Ludwig Magor, Sr.,)

Woman is a bundle of pins.
Man is her pin cushion,
What a strange thing is man.
And what a stranger is woman
Woman, man or cud or devil,
Was there anything we feared?
Woman's faith and woman's trust
Write the characters in dust.
He is a fool who thinks by force or skill.
To turn the current of a woman's will
Time is ungallant it tells on a woman
Woman's at best a contradiction still.
As for the woman, though we scornand fly to them.
We may live but cannot live without 'em.

Mr. John S. Beal, one of the Managers of the Holbrook Benevolent Association, also owner of Beal Cafe and Hotel, operates the best Cafe and Hotel in the State of Mississippi for our people.

When a man or woman gets to the place that he or she will not pay his or her debts, or at least try, to make satisfactory arrangements with their creditors, they are in a pretty bad fix, and, nobody wants to deal with them only for cash.

A Musical Program will be rendered at the Calvary Baptist Church to night as a results of the combined efforts of Mr. D. E. Shaw, Sponsor and those taking parts.

HOT SHOT

President G. W. Quincy of Bay Springs, Miss., will have to be considered a "Hot Shot", when it comes to making new members. He has sent in this week for 17 new policies. Go to it Quincy, you got the lead.

Man and the horse radish are the most biting when grated.

Mr. Anderson Perry of Bessemer, Ala., motored here Sunday to spend the day with his mother, Mrs. Penny Perry.

Mr. Henry Houze of Chicago, Ill., and Mrs. E. Bender 123 W. 12th Ave. Pittsburg, Pa., were guests of sisters, Mrs. North Johnson and Mrs. Sadie Wilson 3605 Davis Street.

News sent later than Wednesday will be published in the next week's issue.

Short urgent articles will be received Thursday of each week.

Mrs. Loues Korngay who has suffered as a result of a sprained ankle is improving

The friends of little Ramon Greer 1021-33rd, Avenue will regret to hear of his illness.

THE QUEEN CROWNED

On Wednesday nite, October 21st, the financial pueen of Bethel A. M. E. Church will be crowned. Miss Ethel Hersey and Miss Ida Mae Payne are the two young ladies in the contest. These ladies have been working for a month and this promises to be one of the greatest drives in the history of this city. This fight will terminate the contest and the one having the highest amount will be crowned queen and given a silk parasol. The other one will also be given a token of appreciation.

A program will be rendered and th main feature of the program will be the coronation address by W. H. H. Murrell, B. D., Pastor of St. James A. M. E. Church. There will be a specially built thorn, a mangnificent crown, two maids of honor and two pages all for the convenience of the queen.

We are hoping to have a number of persons from the city to go out to Bethel and witness the coronation.

Rev. G. C. Borroum is hoping to say this as did the Roman before him; "Vede, Vidi, Vice." After the coronation is over.

Therefore D'Ici' Von' Anous.

EL BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
13th Street 30th Avenue
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.
A. J. Riser, Supt.
Preaching 11:00 a. m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.
Rev. A. L. Perkins, Pastor

NOTICE

This is to certify that I General President, because of irregularity being reported to the office in the handling of H. B. A. money by Rev. Ed. McLemore, of Quitman, Miss., and president of lodge No. 213, do hereby revoke the H. B. A. license that Bro. McLemore now hold.

He is forbidden to do any Agency wrok whatever.

E. F. Young, General President.

CORRECTION

Scott Leads

Little Wiiliam Scott lead all paper sellers last week. William sold 65 copies.

Mr. Martin V. Pitts, President of H. B. A. lodge No. 28, Toomsuba, Miss., Trustee of the Holbrook Benevolent Association.

Wechsler Black Cats vs Lanier Tigers at Jackson, Miss., Monday Oct. 19th.

According to Coach T. R. Smith, Sunday October 18, the Wechsler Black Cats will leave scratching for Jackson, Miss., where they will play at the Negro State Fair, Monday Oct. 19th the opening day of the fair, at two p. m.

This stalwart grid aggregation, 19 men will go to Jackson with the determation to avenge the two recent game lost to Stillman Junior College of Tuscaloosa, Ala.

With the exception of Hopson and Jenkins, who will occupy the place of Harris, FB during the game and the supplying of Burwell and Marcy,ends, a position occupied by (bear) in the last two games, the regular Husky, stalwalt cats will be in action. pounder, who promises to become a tackler of not the tigers are expected to suffer unmercifully.

These teams have been fighting rivals for several years of the past.

According to reports the tigers have suffered seriously under the great strength and unusual, High School, playing ability of the Cats.

The above facts are evidence that this game will be well fought from the very startto an expected victorious ending.

A million hopes come from the Meridian area for the Black Cats victory during this jaunt.

A list of Church Committees expected to assist in the City-Wide Clean-up cemetary campaign.
El Bethel—Mrs.Sallie Crawford,Mrs. Sallie Smith.
UNION— Mrs.W ill Mobley
Calvary-Mesdames Kennie Harris Sarah Hardy.
ROSE Hill—Mesdames Mary Bolden, Mary Scott
St.Peters— Mesdames Fannie Payne, Maggie Rimpson
New Kingdom Mesdames Ida Wallace.
St.James Mesdames LillieMays Alice Wimberly
Thirty First Mesdames George Blackwell Daisy Thompson
Pilgrim— Mesdames Annie Radclif- Katie Brooks
Mesdames Callie Coleman, Viola Burley.
New Erra —Mesdames Leathia Parker, Evans Henry.
St.John—Mesdames I.S.Pettus Janie Thomas. NewellChapel Mesdames Wennie Lewis,Hattie McElroy. New Hope Mesdames Mary Smith,Invia Me Taylor. First Congregational—Mesdames Mason,Foster. Church of God—Mrs Marhta Richardson,Miss Ida Henderson.Evening Light—Mesdames Johnson , Dave Needham. Prospect —Mrs.Lela Williams. Allen Chapel Mesdames Zantha Rimpson ,Mary Willams Seven Days Adventis —Mesdames Maud Bishop,Mattie Farrish.

What a wonderful sight to be seen the First Sunday in November at Zion Hill C.M.E.Church ,five miles east of Meridian.Four great generals have staged a finical battle. The captains are skirmishing. You can see them skulking now halting everybody they see with loud clamor, meet us at the Battle front, First Sunday in November.

The vocal Bands will play music on the front lines.

Watch next weeks issue

REV. E. F. YOUNG, Pastor

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EDITORIAL

In this week's issue of the Weekly Echo, we take very very great pleasure in giving the readers a bird's eye view of all those who sell papers each week. Elsewhere in this issue, you will find the regular Four Square Club and the number of papers sold. In order to be a member of the club one must sell at least ten papers each week and deposit 10 cents with the Good-Will Printing Co., each week for Club dues. The money deposited for club dues will be given back to these members Christmas Eve. The Good-Will Printing Co., is going to add from five to ten weeks to each club member's deposit. This will be given to the Club members Christmas week.

In last week's issue we made mention of Miss Sarah Murcy, a student of Wechsler High; in two weeks, she has sold 113 copies of the Echo, the first week she sold 53 copies, the second week she sold 60 copies, a total of $5.65 worth of papers. It will be remembered that half of this amount went to Miss Murcy. The one selling the second highest amount was little William Scott, who two weeks ago sold 36 copies, while trying to beat Miss Marcy last week he sold 53 copies, a total of 89. These two persons sold in two weeks 202 copies of the Echo. What these have done, others may do. We wish to make mention of a few others who sold more than the required number of ten last week: Little A. G. Cranford, 30, W. T. Glispie 30, Wilbon Meadows 25, John H. Crawford, 23, Jack Burley, Jr., 22, Mastraw Hardy 20 W. A. Thompson 15, James Wilson 15, Lamon Reese 14, Eugene Coleman 13, EddieWalker 12, Walter Block, Jr. 12.

It will be remembered that all of these persons are given a commission on a fifty-fifty basis.

Why not urge your boy or girl to join the Four Spuare Club, which will enable him or her to earn something for him or herself.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

St. James A. M. E. Church present charges against Presiding Elder, I. E. Fields; Presiding Elder pleads guilty to the charge.

Rev. W. H. H. Murrell, Pastor in charge, St. James A. M. E. Church. We the members in good and regular standing of the St. James A. M. E.c Church beg to register complaint against Rev. I. E. Fields, Presiding Elder of the Meridian District, and a member of the East Mississippi Annual Conference. We find him guilty of being a christian and living up to the moral standard of ethic, and, why we do not regret this charge our religious obligations compel us to make the following charges.

1st. Exhibiting Christian character that to our knowledge, he has lived a christian life since being with us since 1926.

2nd. We charge him with being fair and partial in his dealing.

3rd. We charge him with treating the Pastor of St. James A. M. E. Church according to the Golden Rule which is sometime unusual among those in authority.

4th. We complain that he has not scolded or obused either pastor or member of the East Mississippi Anclaims which was his only support.

We therefore recommend that our Pastor Rev. W. H. H. Murrell, present to this unusual character, Dr. I. E. Fields, the list of members who have stood by, and supported the church.

The pastor being judge, asked the defendant if he was guilty or not guilty? The Presiding Elder meekly and humbly pleaded guilty, the judge pronounced the sentence, as follows:

Dr. Fields for five happy years we the members of St. James A. M. E. Church have profited by your ministration of love and counsel. You have been mild and fair in the rulings in your QuarterlyConference. In the pulpit you have faithfully presented the precepts of our religion. In our struggle you have been our sympathetic councilor and friend. In Sunday School our children have profited by your wholesome instructions.

And now with a deep sense of your pious and Godly life; the pastor and members of St. James A. M. E. Church take a delight in presenting to you and your inestimable wife, 25 or 30 names of persons who have contributed to you and your comfort, a large supply of groceries, etc. This closes the 20th quarterly conference here by our beloved Presiding Elder at St. James. The conference was largely attended and the business dispatched with ease.

PROGRAM

The following program will be rendered at St. James A. M. E. Church Sunday afternoon, three o'clock, Oct. 18th.

Song	Love Lifted Me
Invocation	Rev. W. H. H. Murrell
Song	Spelling Love
Welcome Address	Mrs. Murrell
Recitation	Miss Catherine Edwards
Solo	Miss Willie Mae Sams
Musical	
Reading	Eartha Hopkins
Oration	Willie Edwards
Solo	Mrs. Jackson
Piano Selection	Mrs. L. M. Thomas
Address	Mr. R. H. Houston
Solo	Miss Dora Brantly
Collection	

ST. PAUL M. E. CHURCH

A group of ladies of St.Paul's M.E Church, assisted by ladies from the other churches of the city,will pesent the pagent of "THE ROSES",October 26.The place will be announced later. This pagent is of a hlgh class entertainment. Those taking part are among the most beautiful, graceful and attractive maids and matrons of the City Each of the five groups will be sponsored by a queen who, if she raises the highest sum, will be crowned queen of all the roses.

Each group will render a part of the program and try to have the best stunt The group having the best stunt will be entertained after the program at Beal's cafe. There are seventy or eighty taking part. Each lady will wear a costume designed as a rose. The roses to be represented are Red, White, Yellow, Pink and American Beauty. Full announcements will be made in the next issue of this paper. Watch for the big parade of Roses Saturday, October 24th, at 4:00 o'clock, which will begin near 5th Street and 25th Avenue and go to all parts of the city. Vote for your favorite queen in order that she may be crowned queen of all the roses.

This promises to be one of the most spectacular entertainments of the season. If you care to see many, beauty, and grace, and listen to the beautiful strains of vocal music, and see the ladies and girls try to put their stunt over; come.

Miss Emma B. Ivy, Directress.

EAST END SCHOOL

A Dentist and Nurse from the City Health Department visited the East End School Monday, October 12, 1931 and Tuesday October 13, 1931, and, examined the children's teeth.

First Grade A—1—64 examined 34 had perfect teeth.

First Grade B—1—65 examined 25 had perfect teeth.

Second Grade 62 examined 28 had perfect teeth.

Third Grade 63 examined 19 had perfect teeth.

Fourth Grade 46 examined 16 had perfect teeth.

Fifth Grade 37 examined 19 had perfect teeth.

Sixth Grade 22 examined 7 had perfect teeth

Red Stars were given and placed on the charts behind the names of children who had perfect teeth. A picture of these children was taken to be carried to the Health Convention to be held in Memphis, Tenn.

PROGRAM

Mt. Zion Usher Board Anniversary
Sunday, Oct. 18th, at 3:00 o'clock

Song	Congregation
Scripture Reading	L. D. Robinson
Invocation	Rev. B. W. Coates
Welcome Address	Mrs. Beatrice Pippins.
Solo	Miss Nellie Knighton
Paper	Pilgrim B. Church
Selection	St. John Quartette
Reading	Haven Chapel M. E. Church.
Solo	New Hope B. Church
Selection	New Prospect B. Church
Instrumental Solo	Union B. Church
Paper	Calvary B. Church
Selection	Good Mission Trio
Oration	Ebenezer Female Quartette
Solo	31st Ave., B. Church
Duty of the Ushers	Rev. W. G. Wilson

Walker Hill, Pres. Bettie Ward
Acting Sec'y

H. B. A. NEWS

Rev. R. L. Young:

I wish to say that your explanation relative to the H. B. A. Burial Association is very commendable. It is what the Association should have had long ago. I note you state that the Association will make an effort to put a few caskets in every town; that is certainly a splendid idea. It will greatly eliminate a long delay whenever a member dies. I am sure that we as H. B. A.s working together at Brookhaven Miss., wil be glad to co-operate with you in this matter. The Undertaker of Brookhaven will certainly be glad to co-operate.

Yours truly
(Signed) Prof. J. J. Pickett

To the President and Secretary of the H.B.A.this comes to inform you that, I have received letter, etc., relative to the laws passed in the last convention. The President and Secretary. should be highly commended for their great wisdom and long foresight that they are able to look out for the interest of our folks. The Burial Department have been done a long time ago I am sorry that I didn't attend the con vention, but my people and I are 100% with you. All of my members desire that if in case of death the office be notified.

We don't want any way except the way that you all have planned for us.

Fraternally yours
F. P. Williams, and Wife

P. S. I think the paper is just splendid I love to read it, I am handing every copy to my friends.

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP

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County of Lauderdale,

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Roy L. Young, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the editor, publisher, business manager and owner of The Weekly Echo, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership and management of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24,1912, embodied in section 411, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to-wit:

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ROY L. YOUNG.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of October, 1931

R. CLAY, J. P.
(Seal)

My commission expires July 15, 1932

NEGRO ATHLETIC CLUB

Meridian is to have a Negro professional Football Team. This team is to be composed of graduates from schools of Mississippi Alabama and Louisiana now in the city.The team is tobe under the personal management of C.L.Major aud Paul Hardy.They expect to play two games away from home,one, in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi and one in Mobile,Alabama and a post season game with the Wechsler Black Cats. Watch for further information concerning this team.

Any ex-foot ball player wishing to join this club see C.L.Major or Paul Hardy.

Miss Madie Louise Pratt of Scooba, Miss., has return here and resumed her work as Junior at the Wechsler High School. Her many friends are glad to welcome her again.

Social news should be short and spicy, that makes it interesting.

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Mastraw Hardy	12
John Crawford	23
Jack Burley, Jr.	22
William Scott	65
Theodore Wilson	10
James Wilson	15
Wilburn Meadows	25
Walter Gillispie	12
Eugene Coleman	13
Lamond Reese	14
W. A. Thompson	15
Ed F. Walker	12
James Ruffin	15

SCHOOL NEWS

The County teachers met Friday, October 2nd,in the office of the County Supt. of Education, J. A. Riddell and organized an Association called "The Lauderdale County Colored Teachers Association." Congregational singing featuring Negro melodies were sung. A number of white friends were aroused from their offices who came into the auditorium to listen. They expressed themselves as having enjoyed it very much. The following teachers were elected, President Mrs. Rubye J. Davis, Pleasant Grove, Vice Pres. Mrs. Laura Hinson, Covington; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Annie Mae Key, Pleasant Ridge; Asst. Secretary Miss Samantha Jones, Golden Grove Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Buck, Tims Program, Time and place Committee, Chairman, Miss Emma V. Hines, Tabernacle, Mrs. Lillian Jones, Bonita; Mrs. Argella Holton, Union Hill: Mrs. Rubye J. Davis.

Helpful expressions were made by many of the teachers as to how they would help with the upbuilding of the Association. The membersvoted to pay a small amount of dues each month.

TheProgram, time and place will be announced later. The members of the city faculty are invited at anytime.

The Tabernacle County School opened its 1931-'32 term Monday, Oct. 5th, with a splendid enrollment. The enrollment for the first day was seventy-eight. (78)

Two departments have been added to the school this year, sewing and cooking. This work will be supervised by the mothers of the P. T. A. who will on special days work in these depts. Mrs. E. A. Butler will be present once during the month to general supervise the work and organize a school club with the boys and girls. The mothers and fathers expressed themselves as being greatly pleased with the program for the school and promised their every ready support.

The members of the P. T. A. are planning many entertainments for the community this year.

The teachers have pledged to worship one Sunday during the month with churches in the community. Miss Hines worshipped with Zion Hill C. M. E. and Mrs. Bufkins with Tabernacle church. Splendid services were enjoyed at both churches.

Dear Brother Young:-

It is the concensus of opionion at present that the "Weekly Echo" is a find publication, in neatness and matter. Two very prominent members of the White race said to me that they enjoy every line of it.

So you see, that it is not the matter that you hope to publish that is giving your paper this "Push", but the matter that you HAVE published. (You have the confidence of the people in the community, generally; and we expect you to see to it that the community discipleship, will be protected under your leadership.)

Your invited contributors in part, I assure you, have done their best to give matter of interest, from the very first issue. If the articles were a little long, they have been interesting. The people say so,and are asking for more weekly. It is to be remembered that no article is long, if it be an easy read article. When matter is easy read, people will refuse a meal to read it.Some of your Contrlbutors know how to write easy matter. They have had the theory and pracifice. Our paper, the Weekly Echo comes to serve the race at a period when it is very sentimental, and requires much explanation and repetition to land a thought, as preachers, you'll verify what I am saying. Practical Philosophy in paper-publication is more important to wide circulation, that what maybe thought by some hide-bound "Sage" who may be suffering with Academic Mania.

It is a gross mistake, at any time to publish critical insinuations about any matter that has been accepted by the Editor and given to the public. These are the things which have contributed to the present comment of our paper. One man's distaste for "Long Articles" and "lugubrious sermons," which may appear monthly or bi-monthly, is not the peoples.

Yours truly
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930 Sunday School, Bro. Willie Stancil, Supt.

11:00 o'clock Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion service is the first Sunday in each month.

Trustee day is the third sunday at 11 o'clock.

Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church

9:30 Sunday School.

11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion day, second sunday in each month. Official board is Monday night after the second sunday in each month.

Lampton Chapel A. M. E. Church

The regular pastoral day the fourth Sunday in each month.

The public is cordially invited to these services in each month.

New Pospect Baptist Church

9th Avenue and 20th Street Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays.

9:40 Sunday School.

Preaching 11:30 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

5:30 P. M. B. Y. P. U.

Club each Friday night at different homes.

E. L. WEEKS, Clerk,
C. J. BOYKINS, Pastor.

Haven Chapel M. E. Church

J. M. Shumpert, Pastor.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church

The Welcome Corner

13th Avenue and 14th Street.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., R. W. Young, Supt.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor.

31st Avenue Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.

Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Calvary Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.

Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.

Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

Sunday School—9:30 A M.

Preaching—11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M.

A. C. E. League—6:30 P. M.

Rev. W. H. Murrell, D. D., Pastor

The White Rose Social Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Glispie, 2310 17th Avenue, September 24th, 1931, with a great many players. Top scores were won by Mr. Bell and Mr. Gilspie, second scores were won by Mrs. Emma D. Walker and Mr. Rice. There were fifteen present. A delicious plate lunchand ice tea was served. Adjourned to meet October 1st, with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mosley.

The White Rose Social met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mosley, 15th Avenue and 23rd Street, October 1st, with a great many players. Top scores were won by Mr. Robert Glass and Mrs. Cecil Wilson; second score won by visitors. There was an elegant plate lunch served. Mr. and Mrs. Green were viistors. Adjourned to meet at the home of Mrs. Anna Tate, 35th Avenue, 12th Street.

There were a few members and friends of the White Rose Social Club met at the home of Mrs. Sam Watson and stormed her mother with fruit of various kinds. We were proud to find her doing well. May the Lord help her in her illness. Members as following, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Glass, Mr. and Mrs. Mosley, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Glispie, Mr and Mrs. Bell, Mr. Judge Bryant, Mr and Mrs. Clinton Glispie

JUDGE BRYANT Pres.
MRS. SAM WATSON,Sec'y
MRS. CLINTON GLISPIE, Treas

GOOD MISSION CLUB

The Good Mission Club met at the home of Miss Ocie DeBruce 2125-11 Ave., Monday evening Sept. 28th 1931

The meeting was called to order by the president, after the club listened to the annual reports coming from the secretary and treasure.

The Club was beautifully entertained by the president's annual address. A quorum of officers were elected.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Phillips and family 1814-30th Ave., were very proud and felt themselves highly honored to have as their guest on Friday afternoon, October 2nd., their Aunt, and, Sister-in-law, Mrs. Beatrice Cole from 2916-30th Ave., Tuscaloosa, Ala.

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Mrs. Alonzo Harper was the hostess to a two table Whist Party Saturday night, October 3rd,honoring Mr. Harper's sister, Mrs. Willie M. Gibson of Louisville, Miss. Those participating were Prof. and Mrs. T. R. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Brown, Mrs. Ida M. Barrett, Mr. James Hodges of Joilet, Ill., Mrs. Earnest Davis, and her charming young daughter, Miss Merline Wilson. A delicious salad course was searved.

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Miss Parenthia Wilson and her cousin, Miss Emma Wilson, of this city were guests of their aunt Mrs. Sarah Wilson at Union, Miss., a few days ago While there they attended the First New Hope Convention.

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H. B. A. BOARDS MEET

The December Boards will meet as following:

Tuesday, December 1, 1931, with president D. J. Harlan, lodge No. 305, two and a half miles north of Macon, Miss. on highway No. 25. The name of the church has not been given.

Wednesday, December 2, Meridian, Miss. in the office Building. The Board will be entertained by president I. English, E. F. Young, Jr., B. Brown, D. H. Watson, Tom Smith, Tom Jackson, C. T. Tiggs, H. Hoskins, Mesdame,s M. A. Trussell, F. C. Cooley, Annie Smith, and Octavia Whitikie, in fact all city presidents are asked to entertain the Board.

Thursday, December 3, four miles west of Enterprise at New Fellowship Church, lodge No. 267, G. D. Cotton, president.

Friday, December 4th, Bassfield, Miss., W. C. McLeod President, No 57

BOARD COLLECTION $1.25

All H. B. A. Presidents are asked to collect $1.25 from eash member for Death Claims and Quarterly Dues for the December Board. Presidents, we have cut the Death Claims 15 cents in order to help you to make a round report. Were it not for our new Burial Department, we would not be in position to do this. We earnestly urge each president to do his best to take an advantage of this cut in Death Claims and collect from all of your members. As you know, it is impossible for us to pay off unless you collect. Begin now to make preparation for the December assesment. You have a month and a half to collect $1.25 from each of your members. We are reducing the assesment hoping to help save your membership. Will you stand by us?

R. L. YOUNG, General Sec'y

A CALL FOR THE UPLIFT OF HUMANITY

Owping to the immediate and pressing needs of the Negro families which have bee reported to the Negro Charitable Association as being without food, medicine and clothing for themselves and for the many infants which are being born daily, those in charge of the Campaign have designated Monday October 19th to begin enrolling for membership in the Negro Charitable Association, which will help in a meas ure to meet the pressing needs of the organization at this present time.

Office at 34th Avenue 11th Street will be open each day from 8:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m. You may call and enroll if you are interested in the welfare of your race and humanity.

C. T. TIGGS, Chairman.

There will be a Musical Recital and Style Revue staged at Haven Chapel Church, Thursday evening, October 22nd, 1931, at 7:00 o'clock. There are 18 characters participating in this Style Revue with little Miss Lois Beck as the bride. Music furnished by Bernice Wilson.

Dr. J. M. Shunphert, Pastor
Mrs. Celia Wilson, Directress

CLUB NOTES

The Pastor's Social Helpers Club of Haven Chapel, M. E. Church met at the Home of Mrs. Emma Crawford. 8th Avenue and 22nd, Street, Sunday October 11th at 3:00 o'clock.

After the business session was over a very interesting program was rendered, after which we were invited into the dining room there we found a beautiful decorated table and there was a signal at the door who but Rev. R. L. Young, we welcome him with applauses and smiles. It is always a pleasure to hear him talk. He donated liberally to the club.

We were served with sandwiches, potato salad, lemonade, cake and jello, a second course of pink mints were served.

We adjourned to meet the fourth Sunday in October.

Mrs. Paralee Lewis, Pres.
Miss Olivia Cole, Sec'y

CLUB NOTES

The Steward Sisters Club of Haven Chapel. M. E. Church met at the home of Mrs. Callie Booker, 10th Ave. 21-22nd, Street, Wednesday evening, October 7th, 1931, Scripture reading by Mrs. Eddith Bryant, Son, What a fellowship, Prayer by Mrs. E. A. Crawford, Song, Let Jesus lead me. Roll call, many responded with their offering. Many useful thoughts were discussed along the Church work. Mrs. Booker served her guest with Delicious Cake and Cream which was enjoyed by al.l
Adjourned to meet Nov. the 4th, 1931 at the home of Mrs. E. A. Crawford.

Mrs. Celia Wilson, Pres.
E. A. Crawford, Sec'y

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A shipment to leave Monday Morning, October 19th, 1931.

UNION BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Class regrets very much that due to illness, Mrs. Susie Graham, 3804 Davis Street, Secretary of the Young Peoples' class, was unable to be present Sunday for School. Mrs. Graham is missed much by her friends and is doing nicely.

NOTICE

Wilfred McDonald wants to let his friends know that he is soliciting clothes for the Queen City Cleaners, and will befound there, still turning out the same good work as usual.

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Ebenezer Baptist Church and B.Y.P.U. St.John St.Rubush Avenue are having a age raly Sunday Oct.18 at 3:00P.M. come one and all andhelp us out. Come over in Massidona and help us.

E. R. RACKELY, Pres.
A. L. SCOTT, Sec'y
REV. W. L. JOHNSON, Pastor

Dear Editor:-

We sent our President to the board and he came back and brought us good news.We were glad to know that this order is furnishing its mmembers a casket. This is a pleasing proposition to all of us -

Notice

All persons selling papers must make reports Saturday afternoon and not later than Monday following. A fee of ten cents (10c) will be charged all those paper sellers who fail to reort accordingly.

This applies strictly to city deliveries.

Out-of-town paper sellers must make reports not later than Tuesday of the following week.

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CLUB NOTES

The men's Ever Ready Club of St. Paul Church will stage a Wennie Roast and Social at the home of Mrs. Lula Larkin, Complet, Miss., Friday night October 23rd,. Cars will leave the church at 7:30 p. m. Round trip fare resonable.

Sister Maggie Ramsey died the 6th, day of Augnst. She leaves her husband, five boys, and three girls.

There was a suprise Birthday party given in honor of Mr. Lieutenant Mosley by his wife, Mrs. Ruby Mosley, Monday night, October 5th, at his home.

The dining room was decorated in pink and white. The table was centered with the Birthday cake which was made in a mountain style filled with white and pink rose buds and candles. Souvenirs filled with mints, three courses were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Mosley, father and mother of Lauderdale, Mr. and Mrs. Mosley of Meridian.

There were many lovely presents given. Music furnished by Miss Bernice Wilson.

WECHSLER HIGH

Triple xxx Minstrel at Wechsler High, Friday, October 16th, 1931.

Featuring a plantation of the faculty and student body. An evening of fun an merriment. Come out and see the high steppers and the crooners of 1931.

A social will be given after the minstrel.

Miss Beatrice Sims and Prof. T. J. Fagen, Sponsors.

DINNER SERVED

Mr. Wesley Smith and family enjoyed a fried chicken dinner at Dr. and Mrs. Spears, Sunday October 11th one of the children was a little afraid of the doctor and did'nt eat. So Mr. Smith took his part of the chicken, he was well loaded with chicken. Mrs. Ruth Chester did'nt eat so much.

She fed the baby, though she was one among the last to leave the table. Some one called for Ladies Birthday Almanac to see when would she full. They are welcome to call again.

The White Rose Club met at the home of Mrs. Annie Tate 35th, Avenue between 12th and 13th Street October 8th, with a great many of players.

First scores were won by Mrs. Cecil Wilson and Mrs. R. B. Gillispie second scores were won by Mr. Gillispie and Mr. Judge Bryant after which the meeting was called to order. There were fifteen members present, the hostess served a one course menu, plate lunch and ice tea. The club adjourned to meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Gillispie, 15th Avenue and 23rd Street.

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R. L. YOUNG, Pres. and Treas.
W. C. BAITY, Sec'y and Mgr.

H. B. A. HOLIDAY

Just look what has happened. A vacation for the H. B. A.s. This vacation ends January 1, 1931. My! My! what a big time the H. B. A.s are going to have! Rest! Plenty of rest to all local presidents and members. A little more than 46 days Drive for new members.

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Twenty-five cents is to be sent to the office for new policies. Twenty-five cents is retained by the local presidents. Ha! Ha! Isn't this a knock Out? Ha! Ha! Friends, the H. B. A. is good and gone. Ha! Ha! 50c to the president and 50c to the office for a policy.If you mean that give me your hand Take it brother. Who put out this news? Brother, I think you are mistaken. Just read below

Bassfield, Miss. Sept. 1931—Rev. E. F. Young, General President—Dear Sir:- Do you mean that we have on a DISPENSATION and members are to join for 50c? 25c sent to the office and I retain 25c? Answer by Telegram. W. C. McLeod, President H. B. A. No. 57.

TELEGRAM

DEAR BROTHER McLEOD: I Mean all you asked. — Rev. E. F. Young, General President

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SHALL WE STOP OR KEEP GOING?

Be a Great Leader

To be a real leader, one must pay a great price. There must be a sacrifice on the part of anyone who attempts to lead. Shall we stop because of the sacrifice and the high price, or shall we keep going? There is something within us that tells us to keep going. There are whispers from all groups and races, keep going. This does not mean however, that all forces are with us and encouraging us to keep going.

The Negro race has made wonderful progress in these 60 odd years. Much praise should be given us as a race for what we have done. This being true, the past history should be a dynamo to us. With all of the progress that we have made and the loyalty shown by us, we, still, possess many short comings, but let us trust that ere long, we will rid ourselves of some of the petty handicaps of life. In public, let us do our best to render real service. If we are a merchant, and a member of our race wishes to buy a pound of meat, let us see to it that we sell a pound of meat. We do not wish to sell four fifths of a pound of meat and the other one fifth in color or race pride. If I am to buy a pound of meat, let it be from white or black, I want a pound. Of course, I know that there are those of us who naturally feel that it is more honorable to buy a pound of meat from a white man than it is to buy the same pound of meat from a colored man. There are some members of our race who feel that it is more honorable to buy a second hand suit of clothes from a white man that it is to buy a new suit from a colored man. There is something in most of us makes us feel that it is an honor to strut about in a second hand suit and say, I know this is a good suit because Mr. John use to wear it. I do not want the readers to get the idea that I am criticising wearing second hand clothes, clothes that have been worn by white folks, for I have worn them many a time. The thought that I am trying to convey is this: Generally speaking, our people get the idea that it is more honorable to use that, that the white man has, or has had, than it is to use that, that belongs to him, or to the members of his race. Some of us feel that it is more honorable, that we can get closer to God by worshipping in a church building bought from white folks than one built by ourselves and I fear that we, as a race, satisfy ourselves too readily with some things that are not worth buying. We satisfy ourselves in the fact that Mr. John use to own this.

We have two colored undertaking establishments in Meridian, and I sincerely believe that if the two white undertaking establishments were to announce that they will bury colored people from now on they would have several bodies in less than ten days.

The white establishments would not have to try to make their service equal that of our undertakers in the city; all some of our folks would want to know, would the white establishment bury us. There is something in a lot of us that seems to make us want to be white, and if not, as nearly white as possible. Now there maybe a cause for this, but just here I am not discussing the cause. I am almost persuaded to believe that if all of the white church doors were thrown open, next Sunday for colored, there would be a big showing made by us.

We sometime complain and wonder why leaders of our race do not have more public conveniences for our people; this question might be asked; What is the use of spending a deal of money in order to make it pleasant for our people, what is the use of spending money to erect buildings, such as hospitals places of public meetings and the like? Our people have not yet been trained to the extent that they are able to appreciate race conveniences and opportunities and may it be said to our regret that a large number of our leaders have not yet learned what it means to stand up and push race projects. Shall we stop or keep going? We must keep going. We must not become discouraged. It takes a real big hearted man or woman to keep going in the face of criticism, in the face of bukes and scorns.

All leaders shou'd be commended, but I am of the opinion that the man or woman who can stand out as a leader in our race should be commended above the average. Nobody knows what it means to be a leader among our people except those who have attempted.

We must confess that the white man has helped us wonderfully in leadership. One thing I mean by that is this: The good thinking white people are willing to see Negro race leaders go forward and in order to help them go forward, in order to help them do something for the race, they deny us certain privileges, and when these privileges, are denied us in their business, we are naturally driven back to our own race to get such privileges and accomodations. There was a time, and I remember it well, when the white undertakers buried colored people in Meridian, but when the Negro undertakers got to the place that they could handle Negro business, a certain white undertaker of this city said to a group of colored, you people have colored undertaking establishments here that can do your work, and they ought to have it. That statement from that white man caused strong Negro establishments to be developed in Meridian. Now, there are other privileges that are given us in different sections of the country, and, the only way that the colored man will be able to be patronized as he should and ought, is the white man will have to refer us to the members of our race, who can give us the same accomodation that we go to him for. Is this not a time when we were opening our eyes Have we not nursed at the white man's feet long enough to be at least strong enough to walk a littlle with a stick? Do we not know that the white man wants us to be men and women? Do we not now that our friends want to know that at sometime in life, and at least in some things, that we can grow independent? Shall we stop or keep going? My only plea to leaders is, through struggles, trials, criticisms and other things, keep going.

One thing greatly needed with us is cooperation. We need to be willing to push one another, in any business project that is worth while. This does not mean that we are not to patronize our white friends, this does not mean that we are not to buy from them, for as a matter of fact, we must go to them for help and advice. The real thought that we wish to convey in this article is: We should have real race pride. The white man has race pride and when we say he has race pride, it can be said with each word under scored. Race pride does not mean that we must despise or hate other races. It does not mean that we are to treat other races with disrespect. Neither does it mean that we, in having race pride, treat our own race with disrespect and contempt. This country of ours is dominated by two races, the white and black, and it should be our highest aim and desire to live in peace and harmony with all mankind.

EAST END SCHOOL

Dean J. R. Reynolds of Rust College formerly of Meridian, was in the city Thursday October 15th, 1931. He visited the East End School and was favorably impressed. He complimented the principal and teachers on the splendid order and well organized program. He called the school a Bee Hive because he found everyone at work.

The specific purpose of his trip to Meridian was to organize a college extension class. Three of the teachers of the East End School are members of this class, namely Misses Emma B. Ivy, Esther D. Thornton and Nettie M. Wobbington.

Miss Geneva C. Jones one of the exteachers of the East End school, now residing in Chicago, Ill., visited the school Monday, October 19th, 1931., the Principal heartily welcomed her back to the place where she had served so faithfully, loyally, and efficiently for a long number of years as a teacher of the primary department.

While in the city she is the guest of Mrs. Esther Butler who was also a visitor.

After greeting the principal she went immediately to room five where she taught and placed her hand on the desk and called it her desk once more. Of the 445 pupils all had entered school since she left.

P. T. A.

The P. T. A. of the East End School will hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday afternoon October 27th, 1931 at 3:00 o'clock at the school building.

At this meeting the president will present her plans for the ensuing year. After a short business session games will be played out on the yard. After which a social hour will be enjoyed.

Mrs. Magnolia Johnson, President
Mrs. Laura Harris, Secretary

THE PAGENT OF ROSES OCT. 26, AT 8:00 O'CLOCK AT CITY HALL

Will be given by the following Cast

The Garden Fairy, Mrs. Cora Williams
The Song Fairy, ___ Miss Alma Reese
The Secret Fairy, Miss Flossie Trotter
Queen of the Red Roses, Mrs Bessie Williams, Attendants, Mesdames, Bessie Beck, Alice Jones, Marceline Beal Eugenia Cramer, Maggie Sumpter, Jessie Mae Johnson, Misses Nellie Knighton, Beatrice Beck, Gloria Blackwell.
Queen of the Yellow Roses, Mrs. Bessie Beal, Attendants, Mesdames Emma Blackwell, Ada Meadows, M. E. Wilson, Naomi Sims, Maggie Sumrall, Beatrice Pippins, Lillian Nelson, Otie Mae Shaw, Geneva Williams, Misses Lorena Sherrod, Virginia Rhone, Little Elizabeth Goddette, Frances Marie Beal, Mrs. Deseree Harris.

Queen of the American Beauty Roses, Misses Annie Curry, Attendants Misses Lizzie E. Prentiss, Elsie Meadows, Mattie L. Hawkins, Beatrice Sims, Christine Thompson, Naomi Sims, Albena Smith, Gladys Wilson, Romelda Robinson, and Ruby McLendon.

Queen of the Pink Roses, Mrs. Minnie P. Strayrorn, Attendants, Mesdames Laura Harris, Hannah Basley, M. A. Block, Cora Billups, E. D. Mason, Birdie Lewis, Ruby Green, Edna Burwell, Annie E. Baity, Anna L. Northern Ophelia Harris, Annie Robinson, Misses Naomi Crawford, Ozelle Jones, Cleo Simmons, and Little Ethel Mae Bishop and Marie Fikes.

Queen of the White Roses, Miss Bessie Trotter, Attendants, Mesdames L. F. Brooks, Mary Emerson, Alice Washington, Misses Lucille Barrett, Dorothy, Harris Esther D. Thornton, Ethel Dunn Sarah and Esther Hunter, Lydia Bryant, Bernice Braddock, Velma High, Lola Johnson, Jessie Mae Webb, and Little Imogene Washington, Lois Beck.

Songs to be sung during the pageant.
The Roses Dream Miss Alma L. Reese
Rose In The Bud ___ Miss N. Knighton
In The Heart of A Rose ___ Mrs. B. Beal
Good Bye Rose ___ Mrs. C. Williams
Only A Rose ___ Miss Annie Curry
Roses Of Yesterday ___ Mr. J. B. Pettus
Love Sends A Little Gift Of Roses Miss Pearl Varnado
My Wild Irish Rose ___ Mr. H. Myers
The Last Rose or Summer ___ Miss Zee Alfin Anderson
A Garland Of Old Fashion Roses ___ Miss Alma L. Reese
Pianist ___ Mr. Hayward Meyers, Dr A. B. Blackwell, Mesdames Nettie Edwards and Ruby Davis, and, Miss Pearl Varnado.
Directed by ___ Miss Emma B. Ivy

Proceeds to benefit St. Paul M. E. Church.

Please notice that a vote will not admit you to the concert. This Pageant is a High Class Concert consisting of speaking, acting, singing and pantomining. The characters are dressed in beautiful costumes designed as roses. The groups are selling votes to put their queen on the throne by raising the most money. The groups doing the stunt will be entertained after the concert. This promises to be an elaborate affair.

Watch for the parade Saturday Oct. 24th, 4:00 o'clock.

Miss. Lenora Young is improving nicely at her home. She has recently under-gone a throat operation.

Thomas A. Edison Succumbs

Rev. Roy L. Young, Pastor of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church and Editor of The Weekly Echo.

Rev. Youngis now in Atlanta Georgia, attending the Ecumenical Conference. This Conference is represented by Methodists all over the world, every part of the world where the Methodist Church is found having representatives at this Conference.

CHARITY

By W. B. Block, D. D. S., Past Exalted Ruler of Metropolitan Lodge No. 551, I. B. P. O. E. of W. Elks, Chairman Boy Scout Com., Troups 31.

It has been the custom of the Elk's Lodge to help the poor at Xmas time. For the past two years on account of the depression they have'nt functioned only in a small way. I have canvassed among the members and find that ninety percent of them are willing to pledge a donation to be paid December 15th for this refief.

I am wondering since the Elks are taking the initiative could'nt all of the Churches, Fraternal Orders and individuals get together with their donations, in that way we could render more help and reach more people.

Think it over, and if you are in favor of the movement, get in touch with Dr. Block's office, phone 1387 Residence phone 9125.

In regards to the Boy Scouts there is a move on foot among the White people to raise $4,300.00 to keep scouting alive Meridian. They have been exceedingly nice to troops in the past four years , never asking for a donation. I hope every Colored man in Lauderdale County will sign a pledge to help raise this money, regardless how small the amount. Chief Bonds was very nice to our doys during our two days camp this past summer, he loaned us three tents to house the boys, and, visited the camp assisting us in every way to make it a success. We are planning to put our boys in camp for 7 days next summer, and will need his assistance, so let's help out all we can to keep scouting alive in Meridian. We have the only Colored Scouts in the State of Mississippi. Now let's get together and have a meeting where we can discuss plans of relief.

CEMETERY CAMPAIGN IN PROGRESS

Thursday October 22, proved to be a very successful clean up day at the Laboring Son Cemetary. Dinner was served on the grounds and the work was carried on very commendably.

An aggregation will be at the Odd Fellows cemetary to-day. This campaign has been responded to nicely. The origin and success were made possible through the efforts of Mesdames M. Cullum, M. S. Edwards.

"THE PROMISED LAND"

The Pageant "Promised Land" is making a rapid progress, Mrs. J. P. Reese promoter and directress states the practices are improving every week

It will be presented November 3rd, 1931 at the Court House.

The greatest Masquerade Halloween Ball of all seasons will be staged Friday night Oct. 30, 1931 in the re-decorated ball room of the Palace Royal. Presenting Little Brother Montgomery Troubadors, featuring soft SAXES, heavenly TRUMPETS, mellow TROMBONES and smooth rythmn in a dance of the century. You will dance lightly through the rays of the giant spot light and Beautiful tableaus. Five dollars in prizes to be given to the best and worst dressed,from 8:30'til ___ Given by the four Musketeers of the Night Hawks Club Meridian's most popular entertainers.

Mrs. Minnie P. Strayhorn will be hostess at the Aurora Literary Art Club Wednesday, Oct. 28, 1931, at 6:30 P. M.

She will entertain at the new home of her sister, Mrs. E. F. Young, Jr., 2009 24th Street.

PROGRAM

Song ______ Club
Sentence Prayer ___ President Leading
Quotation ______ Any Author
Spiritual ______ Club

Topic Round Table; The Importance of Growing Up. (Ways in which parents should be ready to help in the process.)

Mrs. Minnie P. Strayhorn, Reporter.

Edison the Great Inventor Died Sunday Morning

Thomas A. Edison one of the world's greatest benefactors died Sunday morning, October 18,. Edison, with his great inventions has contributed more to the comfort of mankind than any other inventor.

He lived to be 84 years old and was active practially untill death. It is said that Mr. Edison, though wealthy was never a spend-thrift He often neglected to buy new suits though his clothing were practically threadbare. Mr. Edison was born in Milan,Ohio, February 11th,1847. He was the son of Samuel and Nancy Edison.

DULL IN SCHOOL

It is said that Edison, when a school boy was not very brillant and was usually at the foot of his class. He was one time a newspaper boy, a peanut and Candy Vender, and was a "News Butcher" on the Port-Huron, Detriot Lines He worked at these jobs in order to buy chemicals. It is said that he set up his laboratory in a baggage car, without asking permission, and he performed many eperiments while on his runs. He was a poor boy and worked hard. He chewed and smoked tobacco. He was careless of his personal appearance. He was discharged frequently from various jobs. He failed to get his eight hours sleep at night. It is said that Edison had 5,000 employees in his plant. It is predicted that Mr. Edison added $30,000,000.00 annually for a half century to the nation's wealth.

Edison invented the Phonograph in 1877, the Carborn Telephone transmitter, in 1879, the microphone in 1878, the motion Picture in 1894. His body lay n state at West Orange, N. J. in his Library. It is reported that Henry Ford Harvey Firestone and President Hoover hastened to view the last of their old friend.

When one studies the life of Mr. Edison, he should be encouraged to go forward. I think that Mr. Edison's early life should especially impress young boys of our race who are poor and have to work hard. It is not always the land that produces, but the success lies largely in the man. A real man will take what he has ,though it may not be much at times, and make what he wants. Let us not scorn the idea of being poor neither should we look with scorn on those who are poor, for he reason a poor man has a great opportunity to not only make himself rich, but he can make those with whom he comes in contact rich, not only in wealth but blessings that are nothing more than the results of hard and earnest efforts to benefit mankind.

REVIVAL

Rev. R. L. Young is to begin a week's revival at Newell Chapel Church Sunday October 25th; he will be assisted by his father, Rev. E. F. Young. A splendid meeting was held Tuesday night with a large number of members present. This is to be an old fashioned revival with good singing, praying and preaching. If you want to feel good come to the meeting.

On Friday night, October 30th the members of the Church are to give the pastor a big pound entertainment. They are making ready for the Annual Conference which convenes at Crystal Springs on the 17th of next month.

THANKS TO SUBSCRIBERS

The Weekly Echo wishes to thank the thousands of readers for their loyalty shown toward the Echo. If you were not willing to buy copies each week, our paper girls and boys could not be so successful in putting them in the different homes. Some of you buy three and four copies in order to help push the cause. To you we feel grateful. Continue your interest in this paper and we shall do our best to continue give you good reading matter.

Roy L. Young, Editor

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A Call For Negro Co-operation

Since we have viewed the past briefly and are now experiencing the present with an added attraction and the depression which we face and feel daily, we may at once conclude from summing up the past and the present that we too must do something to help ourselves (the black man) if we hope for deliverance from our enemy (economic depression) death.

We therefore appeal to every Negro citizen to join in this great movement and share his part of the task which we must faithfully engage and let us work together.

The Negro should wake up, we are entering the period of self-protection. We talk about progress, what progress have we made when everything we do is done through the good will of the liberal white man of present day.

But, can he always afford to be liberal? Do you not realize that in a short while he will have on his hands a problem of his own, to feed his own children, to take care of his own flesh and blood? In the midst of this crises when he finds not even enough to feed himself, what will become of the Negro? We cannot depend upon the white man to feed and clothe us always He will have enough on his hands to take care of his own. Therefore it becomes our duty to put forth some effort to help ourselves.

Alone we cannot accomplish much. We must work together. One man nor even a dozen men never could have dug the Panama Canal. It took thousands and thousands of men well organized to carry out the work. Its just the same with any other big job. In the Negro Charitable Association we will have to work together. This Association has your interest at heart.

There is an element among our race that is seriously suffering for food and medical attention, living daily through hard struggles, moving with unrest disorganized and powerless. Its only need is to be harnessed together for service. This center can contribute but little of what is needed until united together in a solid mass.

The Negro Charitable Association will hold mass meetings in the city of Meridian at various churches and halls nightly andSunday evenings. A call to service. (Roll call come out and register, let us invite our forces that we may be able to overcome the present crisis and meet the great oppression which now confronts us.

The object of this Association is to afford a definite plan for the relief of the distressed, destitute, sick and those unemployed and provide a Doctor, Medicine and emergency help to those in need of such and to be a helpful agency in welfare and rescue work in co-operation with similar organizations.

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C. T. TIGGS, Chair.

To Our Readers

Dear Readers:-

It is with much pleasure and the usual friendliness, as well as interest, that we make the following statements To you our supporters, you who cooperate with us, you who lend your talent and ability by the contribution of your invaluable articles and worthwhile information that interest us, our readers and in fact all those concerned, to a large extent.

The fact we have interest in your welfare and are eager to serve you is the answer, should the question arise for the publication of this informative letter.

The Weekly Echo is dreadfully sorry to have delayed publication of news for Mrs. Clinton Gillispie, member of Haven Chapel M. E. Church, as well as others who have given us news for publication and same did not appear or does not appear in this issue nor, the preceding ones. The Echo apoligizes for these delays without any hesitancy, whatsoever.

The fact that business disturbances, arrival of new machinery, over supply, of news as well as news in our estimation and according to date furnished were too late for publication, caused the delay. However, it is our endeavor and has been at all times to publish all news given us promptly. This is our paper and we thank you most graciously and from the depths of our hearts for the support given us thus far.

Since our initial issue it has been our desire to create a public interest. Create a public commodity which at the same time will render service to its readers in their immediate sections, throughout the State, United States, and to the cause of humanity in general. Your co-operation is evidence that we have created that public interest and are working for you giving the best satisfaction under the prevailing conditions.

Last week, as every other week, since our very existance, gave us far more readers,two hundred to be exact, than that of any previous week.

Continue to let us serve you,make us please you,we are your servants.

Continue to buy as well as read the Weekly Echo. Help the boy from your church ,or the boy in your immediate neighborhood, or any boy selling papers which shows his eagerness to become an honest, industrious,courteous and business-like boy. Further that confidence that is due every person, cause him to develop same, experience the fundamentals of salesmanship thus preparing him for a place in life or a life's work.

It is our aim to reach the goal earlier than the date set. With your continued co-operation, which we are sure of because of your race pride, knowledge of what it means to the community and that this particular enterprise is the one great accomplishment of any self-respected intelligent, civilized industrious and learned people.

Soliciting your continued co-operation and offering our unstinted favors, we are.

Greatefully yours,
The Weekly Echo
F. L. Chalmus, Cir., Mgr.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Dear Editor:

We send the following: We regret very much to report that brother Nelon McGee was stabbed to death a few days ago. He was at one time a member of the H. B. A., but for some cause he dropped out, thereby loosing his face value of his policy.

We are struggling to do our best in the H. B. A.

WILLIE PORTER, Pres.
Wesson, Miss.

ZION HILL C. M. E. CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1st, 1931

What a wonderful sight to be seen the First Sunday in November at Zion Hill, C. M. E. Church five miles east of Meridian. Four great generals have staged a financial battle. The Captains are skirmishing. You can see them kulking now, halting everybody they see with loud clamor, "meet us at the battle front", First Sunday in November.

The vocal bands will play music on the front lines.

Sunlight, Ebernezer, Pleasant Ridge and others.

We are telling the cows, hogs and chickens that there is a great gulf fixed.

J. M. Chapel, Gen., No. 1. His captains are Mesdames Laura Chappel, Lucinda Cole, Pearl Batte, Annie Bell, Clara Wright and Lucinda Chaney.

General No. 2, J. E. Chapel; Captains Mesdames Mary Chappel, R. B. Dungeon, Callie Roberts, Ada Harge, and L. N. Hill.

General No. 3, H. McShan; Captains Mesdames O. C. McShan, Matilda Cole, Vera Phillips, Etta Chaney, Lillian Cole, and Lillie Hill.

General No. 4, W. N. Wright; Mesdames Fannie Neal, Margarett Mitchell, Lucy Colbert, Cora Thomas, Letha Hill, Mary Cole.

E. F. YOUNG, Pastor.

Mrs. W. B. Brooks, who under went a throat operation at Anderson Infirmary is now at home at 1309-13th Avenue.

DEATH

We wish to state that we have lost one of our faithful members, lodge No. 42, in person of sister Jannie Clayton. She died at the Matty Herse Hospital. Her home is at Lauderdale, Kemper Springs community. She leaves a Brother, husband, two step daughters, and a host of friends. She was faithful to her lodge and church, during her life. We were honored to have at the funeral services, Rev. E. F. Young, Sr., General President, E. F. Young, Jr., General Vice-President, Mr. Henry Strayhorn, who had the body in charge was also present. Mrs. Clayton was the first in our community to be furnished a nice casket by the H. B. A. free of charge.

Mrs. Vinie Clayton Pres. and Reporter

Many business men fail because they are not willing to admit that their employes are as bright as they are.

Some ideas can not stand solitary confinement-that is why they die more quickly in some heads than others.

COLLEGE CLASS ESTABLISHED IN MERIDIAN

Dean J. R. Reynolds, of Rust College met the members of the Haven-Rust Literary Club Monday night at the public library at which time a class of 20 college students was organized.

The class voted to meet bi-weekly and to do a full quarters work inEnglish and Social Science. This is a wonderful opportunity for ambitous Meridianites to avail themselves of an opportunity which is denied to thousands, to do college work while carrying on their daily occupations. The Dean will make bi-weeklk trips to Meridian to instruct the class.

CHEER UP

We cannot of course all be handsome,
And its hard for us all to be good.
We are sure now and then to be lonely
And we donot always do as we should
To be patient is not always easy.

To be cheerful is much harder still,
But at least we can always be pleasant
If we make up our minds that we will
And it pays every time to be kindly,
Altho you feel worried and blue.
If you smile at the world and look pleasant

The world will smile with you.
So try to beareup and look pleasant no matter how low you are down.
A good humor is always courageous,
But you banish your friends,
When you frown.

G. H. Slay, P. E.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS—BY MISS LILLIAN LARKIN

Chocolate Bread Pudding

Two cups of stale bread crumbs, four cups of scalded milk, two squares of unsweetened chocolate, two-thirds cup of sugar, one-fourth teaspoonful of salt, two eggs, one teaspoon of vanilla.

Soak the bread in milk for 30 minutes, Melt the chocolate in a cup by setting it in hot water. When the chocolate is melted, add half of the sugar and a little milk, so that it can be poured. Add to the bread mixture then add the remaining ingredients beating the eggs slightly before they are added. Turn into a buttered baking dish and bake at 300 degrees for one hour. Serve with hot sauce. in the winter or with whipped cream in summer.

Baked Ham and Potatoes

Parboil a slice of ham about 1½ inch thick. Drain, spread with two tablespoonfuls of flour mixed with two tablespoonfuls of brown sugar, 1½ teaspoonful of mustard and a sprinkle of Cayenne. Put on top several small pieces of the fat trimmed from the ham and bake for 25 minutes in a moderate oven. Remove the ham to a platter and keep hot. In the meantime cut cold boiled sweet potatoes in half lengthwise, scoop out a small hollow in the center of the cut side, brush the potato with melted fat, and brown under the broiler. Arrange the sweet potatoes, cut side up, in a boiler around the slice of ham, and fill each hollow with a spoonful of gravy, made from the fat left in the pan. Pour the remainder of gravy over the ham. As a spicy variation, cloves may be used as a seasoning for the ham, and gravy.

Baked Fish with Oyster Stuffing

Fresh Red Snapper, Trout or Mackerel

8 Crackers
1 cup oysters
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon butter
1 tablespoon minced celery
½ teaspoon paprika
Bacon
Lemon and parsley

Clean and bone fish. Cook the oysters in their liquor until the edges curl, drain the hot liquor into the crackers, using a little hot milk or cream to make soft, add the melted butter and the seasonings. Mix thoroughly. Fill cavities of the fish with this filling. Sasten together with skewers toothpicks, place in a pan with thin strips of bacon underneath and on top. Bake until done, then put on a platter and garnish with lemon.

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CHURCH NEWS

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7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion service is the first Sunday in each month.

Trustee day is the third sunday at 11 o'clock.

Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church

9:30 Sunday School.

11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion day, second sunday in each month. Official board is Monday night after the second sunday in each month.

Lampton Chapel A. M. E. Church

The regular pastoral day the fourth Sunday in each month.

The public is cordially invited to these services in each month.

New Pospect Baptist Church

9th Avenue and 20th Street Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays.

9:40 Sunday School.

Preaching 11:30 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

5:30 P. M. B. Y. P. U.

Club each Friday night at different homes.

E. L. WEEKS, Clerk,
C. J. BOYKINS, Pastor.

Haven Chapel M. E. Church

J. M. Shumpert, Pastor.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church

The Welcome Corner

13th Avenue and 14th Street.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., R. W. Young, Supt.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor.

31st Avenue Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.

Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Calvary Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.

Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.

Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

Sunday School—9:30 A M.

Preaching—11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M.

A. C. E. League—6:30 P. M.

Rev. W. H. Murrell, D. D., Pastor

EL BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

13th Street 30th Avenue
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.
A. J. Riser, Supt.
Preaching 11:00 a. m.
Evening Ssrvice, 7:30 p. m.
Rev: A. L. Perkins, Pastor

LANGSDALE NEWS

(By Mrs. S. E. Pringle)

Monday morning October 12th,. the Lucky School opened its 1931-1932 session. A short program was rendered under the auspices of the P. T. A. A large number were present to witness the opening.

The patrons gave some very encouraging remarks to both teachers and children. Mrs. C. L. Pringle the Pres. outlined her program for the session. We hope to make this the most successful term in the history of the school. The P. T. A. will meet every 2nd, and 4th, Thursday evenings.

Mrs. C. L. Pringle, Pres.
Mrs. Laura Blanks, Treas.
Mrs. Sallie Pringle, Sec'y
Miss Willie G. Pough, Teacher

H. B. A. NEWS

I. M. MARTIN
of Vimville, Mississippi
President of H. B. A. No. 1, General Treasurer of the Holbrook Benevolent Association.

IN TROUBLE

It might be news to the H. B. A's to know that Local President and Agent, Prof. Pickett, at Brookhaven, Miss., is married. The young lady to whom he is married is Miss Willie Mae Jones who is a teacher in the Public School system at Brookhaven. Prof. Pickett wishes the writer to call the General President's attention to the fact, and he wants President E. F. Young to know that he feels just about as big as he felt when he married. We are sure that all the H. B. As. and friends wish for him a happy future.

EDITOR'S NOTE

As soon as the news was revealed to the General President he stated that if Prof. Pickett felt as big as he felt when he married he felt high up. The General President stated that he pulled off his eye glasses and Prof. Pickett must do the same. The Editor is wondering what will some of the girls do now. There seems to be an atmosphere of mourning around the H. B. A. office.

Dear Editor:
Just a few lines to let you know that H. B. A, number 228 has lost a faithful member in the person of sister A. Arrington. She was a faithful member of the M. E. Church, and a loyal supporter of the H. B. A. She leaves a husband five daughters, and, one son, and a host of friends to mourn her passing.

We had heard of the Burial Department, so we called the office, we must say that one of the most beautiful caskets was furnished for our member. We are glad that the new plans are working harmoniously. A large number of people was present to view the Casket and I am sure the H. B. A. will gain members in our community. The funeral was attended by Rev. A. Bibbins.

Will Ponder, President.
Lightsey, Mississippi

BURIAL DEPARTMENT IN THESE TIMES

(By Jack Davis, President or H. B. A. No 139, R. F. D. Meridian

To the Presient and Secretary:

In studing and looking over the conditions of the rural section of this country, I find that money is hard to get with most of our folks.We have lots of people who would go with us in the H. B. A. work if they just could, but they just don,t have,and,cannot get the money like they used to. No better thing could have been done than the perfecting of the H.B.A.Burial Departmen I have looked at the splendld caskc that is being furnished by ourselves, and it is easily worth a hundred dollars and I beleive more.If one gets $150 in cash money he is easily receiving $250 from theH.B.A. Some of our folks during these perilious times,will not be able to pay $1.40. That means that we will lose a deal of members. Isencerely believe that it is better to keep all of the folks and let them stay in theH.B.A If we have to cut the assestment from $1.40 to $1.25 or less.If we receive $200 from the H.B.A. whereas we have been receiving $220.00,it is beter to get $200 and keep the folks than it is to get$220 and loose half of them because they are not able to keep up.I know some of them are going to kick and say let it remain at $220.00;but they ought to think about some that will have to get out, die and get nothing. Let us keep all of our folks.If we get,during these hard times $125.00in cash money and this nice casket with a small Quarterly assessments,it will be beter on all concerned.I want to say to the General President and Secretary that we know that you all are doing your part.

For many happy golden years
You have traveled side by side,
Your pathwey strewn with tears and smiles
But the Lord has been your guide.

Thousands of friends are wishing you
Great happiness and joy.
And the peace that comes from heaven
Which the world cannot destroy.

May these days be happy days
May no dark cloud be-dim your sky
But love and friendship hold full away
And your hearts be lifted high.

Friends and members full of love.
On you both, this happy day
While love ones are thinking of you,
Tho, they are many miles away.

Your useful lives have blessed the world
May many more years to you be given.
And when life's cares and toils are over
May you wear a crown in heaven.

FOLKS LIKE YOU

(By Miss Zenobia Juanita Roberts)
Dedicated to Prof. and Mrs. G. Reese

You must'nt think when things go wrong,
And all your plans fall through,
That folks have "Got it in" for you,
It really is'nt true.
You've blundered? Everybody has,
At almost everything.
Pick up your courage! Hold it high
Folks like you! work and sing.

Don'tdroop and frown; look up and smile,
A better way by far!
The chances are you're really braver
Than people think you are.
Don't be afraid to greet the folks
You meet along the way,
With cheerful smiles and kindly words
Folks like you smile away!

We really do appreciate
The work you've tried to do
We may be slow about our thanks
And praises: so are you!
You will never know the burning thirst
Quenched by your cooling cup,
Until we reached the better land.
Folks like you! Keep it up

You did'nt hear their prayers last night
And mark the thankful note,
Or see the tears that fell upon
The letters that you wrote
You did'nt know the healing of
Those gentle words you've said.
There's none else could take your place

LEARNED A LESSON

"My girl had her nose broken in three places."

"That'll teach her to keep out of those places."

Young Flapper: "I'm just at that awkward age; too old to cry and too young to swear!"

THE P. T. A. OF MT. SINIA SCHOOL MET FRIDAY P. M. OCTOBER 16th.

"TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION" — Co-operation

Quite a few parents are expected to attend the program for Friday Oct. 23rd.

Scripture Reading ...... Mrs. Ida Hall
Invocation ...... Mrs. Ida P. Daniels
Song ......
Paper ...... Miss Inez Stringfellow
Respond ...... Mrs. B. A. Mesley
Solo ...... Miss Katherine Mesley
Short Talk ...... Mrs. Sinie Clay
Duett ...... Mesdames Hall and Lewis
Paper ...... Mrs. Ida J. Daniels
(Sub—What the P. T. A. can do to better the needs of the school.

New officers are as follows:

Mrs. Senie Clay ...... President
Mrs. B. A. Mesley ...... Vice-Pres.
Mrs. Louise Lewis ...... Sec'y
Mrs. Ida Daniels ...... Treas.
Social committee ...... Mrs. Martha Davis, Misses Katherine Mesley and Inez Stringfellow.

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John Crawford	
Genesis Colgins	11
Samuel Brooks	10
Jack Burley, Jr.	12
William Scott	60
Theodore Wilson	11
James Wilson	11
Wilburn Meadows	25
Walter Gillispie	
Eugene Coleman	20
Lamond Reese	14
W. A. Thompson	13
Ed F. Walker	12
James Ruffin	15
Kinney Beck	10

MERIDIAN BAPTIST SEMINARY
(By Miss Exie Velma Napier)
Senior Class

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Are you in the same old rut
Though you glut and glut and glut
After words and ways of wise men of all time?
You should come to M. B. S.
You are sure to have success
And your knowledge will be really on the line.

As your School begins each time
And you take your place in line
Only to be carried to the same old room,
Teachers tired enrolling you
Each year with you she thinks she's through,
Can't you see that you should come to M. B. S.

The boys andgirls up here are fair
Theboys up here are rare
They treat you with the best of care
at M. B. S.

There's George M. Reese
We love him so
The Principal and hub
The founders of old M. B. S.
When it was only a cub.
There's not a better man that lives
On our God's green earth
There never will be figures enough
To enumerate his worth.

There's Johnny Pearl (his better half)
And music teacher too
She's really nothing but a girl
With dimpled cheeks
And blackest curls
She plays the piano
In such a manner
As Chopin in days of old
We hope that she will play the march
When we walk the streets of gold.

There's Miss Davis
Quiet and sweet
She's nothing but a child
That shows that she and M. B. S.
Have come up hand and hand
For had her training not been here
Considering her youth and age
She'd be in the back with all the rest
Thanks to old M. B. S.

There's Hallie Q.
With heart so true
With friends out numbering foe
She's young and yet she's qualified
Her Education's strong
She makes the children put aside
Their folly and their wrong
Her students are a happy band
For she's the finest in the land
I,m sure you can detect
She's a former M. B. S.

Then there's another, Mr. Lemore
He certainly does deserve a show
He's young 'tis true, but like the rest.
They finish young at M. B. S.
He has a happy colony
Of youngsters true and loyal
They obey him with all their hearts
They speak of him as royal
You think he's young for his success
Remember he finished at M. B. S.

There's Mr Pettus firm in his stand
There never was a better man
He's Sponsor for the Senior Class
He's in for all that's fair and square
If you'll take his instruction in
There's every reason you should win
He seldom smiles, he seldom frowns
His expression is always fine.
A heart that's true, with love for all
Beats slowly in his chest
The fact can readily be seen
He's a former M. B. S.

Perhaps you think that they're too young
To fill these worthy places
But why should they wait and wait
For age to creep upon their faces?
The good book says that you should train
"The child when it is young"
With the proper force
Much good can be done
There really wont be any success
Unless you begin at M. B. S.

CLUB

The Helpers and Laborers Benevolent Club of The Southern Shops met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Dial, Monday night, October 19th, after all business was transacted, we were served an elegant plate lunch. Next meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Daniel, November 16th.

Under the leadership of Messrs Alfred Welch and C. Turner, this club is doing a wonderful work in helping the sick, widows and orphans. This club is composed of Employees of the Southern Shop. Officers are as follows:

Alfred Welch, Pres., Andrew Hogue, Vice-Pres., Ike Rhoney, Financial Secretary, C. Tuner, Treas., Rev. A. D. Hopper, Chaplain, E. J. Turner, Recording Sec'y. L. F. Brooks, M. D. Andy Dial, Chairman Sick Committee. Walter Thompson, Chairman Floral Committee, Banking Committee, C. Turner, Ike Rhoney, C. Daniels.

Mrs. Everlin Tims gives surprise Birthday party for her husband, Mike Tims.

A selected guest of men were invited including the Revs. L. C. Coleman, Pastor of Calvary M. B. Church and W. H. H. Murrell, Pastor of St. James A. M. E. Church.

A special dinner was served consisting of several courses of well prepared dainties.

Speeches were delivered by all present and loud were the praises of this good man. The lovely and useful gifts brought by the guest were presented by Rev. Murrell and the same were accepted in a modest way by bro. Tims.

We are hoping for Mr. and Mrs. Tims many more happy years.

Before we can profit by our mistakes, we must admit them.

LOCALS

Mrs. E. A. Brooks of Quitman, Miss. was the guest of Mrs. Sallie Pringle a few days ago. Call again Mrs. Brooks we are always glad to have you.

Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Pringle, Mr. W. M. Rodgers, Mrs. Georgia Esters and Mrs. Sallie Pringle motored to Langsdale, Miss. to the Educational Progressive M. B. Association, and stopped over for a short while with Mr. Wm. Hardy and family, who live at Meridian, Miss.

We regret very much to say that Mr. G. W. Sterling, president of lodge No. 278 is on the sick list. We wish for him a speedy recovery.

WEDDING BELLS

Wedding Bells are about to ring at Langsdale, Miss. We dont know which will be the lucky girl Misses W. P. or H. P.

Mrs. Sallie Massengale, 53rd, Ave. R. R. Street, was shocked and grieved on Tuesday October 13th, to receive a telegram containing the sad news of the death of her nephew, Mr. El. Douglass 40th W-127 Street, New York City. Mr. Douglass was a resident of this city, until a number of years ago he made his home in New York with his mother Mrs. Mary Lee.

TOOMSUBA

A Dentist and nurse visited the Gully Public School at Toomsuba, Friday morning October 16th and examined the children's teeth. There were twelve that had perfect teeth.

Mrs. Daisy Cole, Principal

Revs. R. L. Young, and M. T. J. Howard, Messrs. Matthew Wingate, Dave Lockett and Johnnie Johnson have been found in the woods several mornings early. They have been very successful in bringing down some of the four legged animals that dwell in trees. Rev. Young thinks that he has gotten the biggest share. He shoots his gun in a hurry.

Miss Geneva C. Jones formerly of Meridian but now of Chicago is in the city for a short stay and is the guest of Mrs. C. T. Buttler. Her many friends welcome her and are so happy to have her visit her old home again They are all making her stay most pleasant.

Miss Luella Auston of 3212 11th St. is recuperating after an illness of a fever attack.

Rev I. E. Fields, Presiding Elder of the Meridian District of the A. M. E. Church preached two splendid sermons at Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church last Sunday for Rev. R. L. Young. The sermons were enjoyed by all present.

MISS MERCER LEADS

In the sale of The Weekly Echo of last week, Miss Sarah Mercer led all salesmen. Little Willliam Scott came second. Miss Mercer sold a total of 89 copies, while William Scott sold 60 copies. A friendly rivalry between these two salesmen is causing much comment.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

Look who is coming to St. James, Dr. Wm. Rice the great pastor Evangelist will conduct a ten days meeting at St. James beginning Monday night, October 26th. All the churches of the city are invited to come and help us in our Dollar money drive.

St. James expects every member to pay your dollar money and Conference claims Sunday, October 25th. You will find thenames of every member of St. James postedon thewall. The amount you pay will be placed after your name Those who pay two dollars a star will be placed after your name, three dollars a star and moon, four dollars a star, moon and sun, five dollars or more a star, moon, sun, and the whole round world included.

Rev. W. H. H. Murrell, Pastor.

Prof. and Mrs. G. M. Reese are happy to announce a new comer in their family, a baby girl was borned to Prof. and Mrs. A. A. Alexander of Jackson, Miss. October 12th 1931. Mrs. Alexander was formerly Miss Francis Mannery, neice of Prof. Reese. Prof. Alexander is one of the teachers of Lanier High.

ECHO GOING FINE

More copies of the Echo was sold last week than any previous week since its publication. Mr. Fred Chalmus, Circulation Manager, is seeing to it that the sale increases each week. Out of eight weeks publication there has not been a fall of of one copper over the previous week, but rather a large increase

The boys and girls, men and women who sell papers are to be congratulated for this continued success.

Miss Dorothy McLain was the lovely hostess of the Central group of the Seminary Alumni Association Tuesday evening, October 20th. There was a very large number present at the meeting and everybody seemed to have been full of pep, spirit and folly. Amidst all of the pep and folly some very tangible business was transacted.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Lucille Barron Kimball 1212-35th Ave., on Tuesday night, Oct. 27th, at 7:30 p. m. All members are urged to be present as this is the last meeting before our big day. Nov. 1st. Please come and be ready to respond to the reqnest that was made sometime ago. You know.

J. B. Pettus, Reporter.

Misses Leola Philips and Bettye Baxter returned to the city Sunday, Oct. 18th, at 7:45 p. m. After spending a week in Mt. Hebron, Ala. visiting parents and relatives. They also visited Clinton ,Alabama, and the Green County Training School in Boligee, Ala. The trip was enjoyed to its highest extent.

Messrs Ferris Philips and Governor Boyd, 18th St. 30th Ave. who for the past three months have been attending Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala, are now in the city to spend three weeks with their parents. They expect to make their departure Saturday, Oct. 31st, 1931 to continue a speciall course in art.

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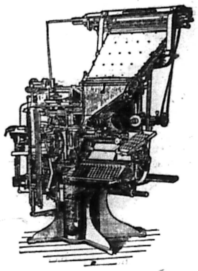

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A Bugle Call By The General President

Dear Presidents:- I am continuing my appeal to you for a strong continuation of the H. B. A. drive. We want you to do your best to help us add 500 members by January 1st. We want 400 of this number to be reported in the next Boards. We are proud to tell you that we have added 200 new members in the past 45 days. This is an average of about four members daily. Will you stand by us and help us to go over the top?

HARD TIMES

Some people talk about hard times, but hard times is an unknown term with us as H. B. A.s. Give us the best in your community. See to it that the H. B. A. flag does not trail in the dust.

IT CAN BE DONE

If you want a thing done and done right, just call the Loyal Presidents and members of the H. B. A. We can do it, for we have done it. Come on and give us 200 members by the Board. Then give us another hundred in December. I am depending upon you. Yours for the success of the Order. REV. E. F. YOUNG, General President.

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WOULD FORCE NEGROES To PICK COTTON

Pay Poll Taxes And Register

ARE WE CONCERNED AS A RACE ABOUT VOTING

Memphis Oct. 22 (CNS)—That one Southern white man has what he thinks is a sure cure for unemployment,was revealed last week in a letter to the Commercial Appeal complaining that he couldn't get enough cotton pickers. He complains not only that Negro laborers won't work for him but that as well they have white folks here afraid of what they may do with their ballot in the coming election What he wants to do is to force them to work. The letter follows in full:

To the Commercial Appeal:

"The Memphis territory is picking cotton very slowly and the result may be more serious for the people of Memphis than for the country people.

"If the cotton remains in the field until bad weather while pickers in other parts of the South are hastening the gathering of the crop, then you may see harder times and less liquidation of debts in Memphis than you anticipate.

"There are thousands of Negroes out of work in your city. I've tried to hire pickers repeatedly, only to be told that the city will take care of them if they don't have a job—this in spite of the fact that I have offered 50 cents a hundred, a price 10 cents higher than others.

"Every morning you can see hundreds of Negroes standing idle around the Auditorium and near the end of the Harrahan Bridge, scoffing at the few who attempt to ride the trucks out to the fields. A suggestion that the police might get them for vagrancy if they don't go to work meets with a big laugh. They claim they have registered and the white folks need votes.

"If your city officals have the economic welfare fo the city at heart, they will clean the streets of vagrants every morning after a certain hour—say 8 o'clock, especially at the end of the bridge. Little Rock and other cities have taken such actions with good effect.

Respectfully,
G. M. Guynes,
West Memphis, Ark.

Exchange—L. L.

The above article written by G. M. Guynes, West Memphis, Arkansas, has much truth in it. I am confident that he was right when he said that there were people who refuse to work, because they were depending upon the city to take care of them. We have a lot of folks who abuse certain privileges granted them. However, it is a bit interesting to note that the city Authorities at least respect the Negro votes. The white man is "crazy" about his vote. He believes in his vote. It is a personal privilege that he has, and, if it is taken away from him, he feels that all of his rights are taken, and why should'nt he? Men should have the opportunity of casting their ballot for or against propositions effecting their welfare.

It is very often said that the Colored man is denied the privilege of casting his ballot. I am of the opinion that we are to some extent in our own way. If we would conduct ourselves in the right way and manner, live the right kind of lives, we would have an opportunity-without any objections-to cast our ballot in Local Primaries and General Elections. If Mr. Guynes makes a true statement when he states that some of our people claim they have registered and the white folks need votes, for that reason they do not try to get work, they have the wrong attitude. If work can be found, every man should work. I do not know as to whether Mr. Guynes was only attempting to hire colored people or not I am sure during these depressed times there are thousands of both white and colored unemployed. I am quite sure that there are white people around Memphis unemployed, as well as Negroes. There may be a reason for such a statement coming from some of the colored people whorefused to pick cotton. They could have seen hundreds of white people standing around who refused to pick cotton, and who could have said that they had registered, etc. As a rule it is a common thing for us to attempt to pattern after the white man.

VOTING

It has been the desire of the best colored people of our section for some time to be permitted to vote as a citizen in this our City. I am of the opinion that there will be no objections raised by the white man with regards to our voting, provided, we will go about this with some common sense. It should be remembered that there is a right way to do anything. Suppose one concludes that he is not permitted to go to the polls; it will be remembered that all good colored people really have influence upon some white people. I know hundreds of colored people who did'nt vote in the recent elections, but they had some good white friends, and they talked to them with regards to casting their ballots. Furthermore, there are a lot of white people that want to do things that will help the colored race, and they will gladly cast their ballot for some good white man whom the colored people highly esteem. You may not be able to go to the polls and Cast your ballot,it maybe that you are not a registered voter, but if you have lived right, if you have conducted yourself in the right way, and manner, you can pull a lot of votes.

SHOULD REGISTER

I believe that we as colored people living in this our beautiful and glorious City should register. Let us not sit around and whine saying that we are denied the privilege of going to the polls.

First, make preparations, register and pay your tax. If this is done, we will find out that a lot of privilege will be granted us, that we claim are witheld from us.

COLLEGE CENTER

The "College Center" organized under the auspices of Rust College at Holly Springs as extension work is having a large following in Meridian. Progressive teachers who wish to be prepared for the educational awakening sure to arrive in Mississippi, also business and professional men who wish to keep abreast of their advancing vocations are availing themselves of the opportunity to earn college credits while persuing their daily occupation.

Dean J. R. Reynolds who is conducting this "Center" is no stranger to the people of Meridian. His masterly addresses and scholorly sermons, no less than his modest and unobtrusive manners have endeared him to the people of Meridian. Credentials given under his signature are accepted in all educational centers of the country, "not merely because he is registrar of Rust but also beause of his well known scholarship. It is fortunate that our group in Meridian have this splendid opportunity.

W. H. S. Alumni

At the previous meeting of the Alumni Association, October 20th, last, it was unamiousy agreed that the next meeting, Tuesday November 3d.,8:00 P. M., would be the night of election of officers for the organization for the ensuing year.

A committe on the constitution will make its report, also other committees of importance, at this meeting. Persons were nominated for the various offices, votes will be cast at the meeting, November 3rd., at the school at 8:00 p. m.

Be present, enjoy the eats and cast a vote for your favorite candiate.

SOMETHING FOR NOTHING

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Big Revival Held At Taylorsville

Dear Editor:

Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that we, have just closed a soul stirring revival at Leaf River Baptist Church. This meeting was conducted by Mrs. L. B. Williams of Meridian, wife of Prof. E. L. Williams. This meeting was highly attended day and night, by both colored and white. Mrs. Williams was successful in adding seventeen members to the church; of this number, two hard sinner men were added.

Our good white friends did everything possible to make the meeting a success, and we wish to thank them very kindly. After the deacon board had played it's part, the members thought within themselves that they were not able to pay Mrs. Williams for the service rendered Leaf River Church. As a token of appreciation the members showered Mrs. Williams with gallons of mollasses shelled corn by the pecks, half bushels, bushel, fruits of all kind, peanuts, okra. potatoes and many many other nice things. When Mrs. Williams left the church her little car was packed to it's capacity.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Mrs. Williams seems to be a splendid character and is very, very interested in church work. We should show our appreciation to such a woman as Mrs. Williams, who is well trained and is able to represent our cause.

We hope for her a continued success in all of her undertakings. We have known Prof. E. L. Williams, the husband of Mrs. E. L. Williams, from boyhood. He hails from a splendid family.

Woodman Uuion Life Insurance Officials Visit City

Mr A. A. Forkner Vice-President Mr. Frank A Young, Agency Director and Mr. R. W. Olive, Branch Office Auditor were the guest of the Meridian District, Sunday. A special meeting was conducted by the Official, Agents representing Medidian, Laurel, Hattiesburg, Gulfport, Pascagoola, Columbus, Macon, Tupelo and Starksville, Mississippi were present. The meeting was called for the purpose of educating the Company's Agents into the affairs of Woodmen Union Lodge in preparation for an extensive program that is being launched by the Company. The officials were highly pleased with the success of the meeting and the outlook for the future. They were seemingly impressed with the type of agents in this territory. Meridian being the largest district in the system. Under the leadership of Mr. Frank A. Young, Agency Director, Boosters Clubs have been organized in each state in which the Company operates. These cllubs have been instrumental in helping to focus the attention of the public on the great service that is being rendered by the Company.

Mr. Falkner, Vice-President delivered an inspiring address which was the keynote of the occasion everyone was thrilled by the sincerity with wich he treated his subject. His subject was "Climb over the fence, mingle with the people and the people will mingle with you" During the course of his able address he sought to inspire young business men to aspire for the higher and nobler things of life, and not allow obstacles nor conditions to keep them from reaching their goal. The address was punctuated with applause. Mr. Young conducted the business end of the program giving instructions to the agents in the new rates and new policies put out by the Company. The Company has introduced a new feature in Life Insurance; Free Hospitalization included in all of its Ordinary policies.

An Exclusive Woodmen Union the feature something that no other Company has to offer the public. It is being enthusiastically received. It will serve as a great step in the direction of better health and longer life for its members. Those present at this meeting aside from the officials were Mr W. L. Williams, Asst. Manager Mrs. D. Harris, Rev. C. M. Matthews, Mrs Elenora Williams, Cashier-Clerk. Mr. Thomas J. Jordan, Mr. R. M. Moody, all of which are from Meridian. Mr. D. C. Beal, Laurel, Mr. R. A. Spears, Hattiesburg, Mr. H. T. Washington, Pascagoola, Mr. J. G. Coleman, Gulfport, Mr. J. W. Lee, Gulfport, Mr. Mack Covington, Columbus, Rev. D. T. Jackson, Starksville, Mr. Pierce, Laurel, and A. O. Lattimer, District Manager, Meridian. The visitors were pleasingly entertained, they all left the city singing the praises of Meridian and the very fine spirit of hospitality exhibited by its citizens.

Each of the agents discussed the conditions peculiar to his section, there however was a splendid evidence of optimism and enthusiasm regarding the future business possibilitues of our group. Shaken confidence seems to be the greatest handicap that is now facing the race.

Business success is dependent upon co-operation, confidence and solidarity. We must pull together in an effort to realize our wishes, our aims and our ambitions in life. The Company expresses its appreciation to the citizens of Meridian and adjacent territory for the large volume of business that is carried with the Company. Our business has held its own because of the splendid support and beautiful co-operation given our field forces.

Woodmen all! This is the time to combine our loyalty and love for the Order with a warm heart and a cool head.

A special dispensation has been launched for a limited time giving each former member of the Woodmen of Union an opportunity to re-instate for only the payment of $1.00. It does'nt matter how long the member has been out of the order, the only requirement is that each member wishing to reinstate is in good health.

A. O. Lattimer District Manager.

Notice To Local Presidents

The Quarterly Report Blanks have been sent out for he December Boards, and, it might be that some ol the local presidents will find it more convenient to meet the Board some place else, other than the one designated on your report blank. In the event this should happen with any of the local presidents I want to kindly ask that you get permission to do so from the office.

Revival Progressing Nicely

The Fall Revival has been in progress at Newelll Chapel Church since last Sunday. The meeting is conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. L. Young. He is being assisted by his father, Rev. E. F. Young.

Each night the meeting becomes more interesting. Preaching has begun each night at 7:45 and at 8:30 the congregation has been dismissed. Several of the members andfriends visit other churches after their service has closed. The meeting will close Sunday night. Tonight the members and friends at the close of the service will give the pastor a pound reception, with groceries, etc. The pastor will preach tonight.

Lodge No. 139

To Lodge No. 139, the President and members of Lodge No. 69 are asking you all to be present with us on Sunday November 1st., 1931. We will have our annual sermon at 3:00 o'clock by Rev. R. L. Young, at St. James A. M. E. Church 37th Avenue and Davis St.

I. English, President
Fannie Cogar, Sec'y

Annual Sermon

The Johnson Lodge No. 69 is going to have their Annual Sermon on Sunday November 1, by Rev. R. L. Young, at 3:00 p. m. at St. James A. M. E. Church Coner 37th Avenue and Davis Street. All H. B. A.s in good standing are cordially invited to be with us.

A short program will be rendered as follows:

Solo __________ Mrs. S. A. Radford
Invocation __________
Paper __________ Mrs. E. L. Sams
Duette ... Misses Smith and McLendon
Paper __________ Mrs. Fannie Cogar.

The Juvenile will also render a short program.

I. English, President
Mrs. Fannie Cogar.
Mrs. Vasti Johnson, Mistress of Ceremony.

Want Help But Stingy About Giving Help

Some of us have peculiar characteristics in our general make up. We delight in getting help from people. We like for people of influence to say good things for us and use their influence to our advanatge, but,when there comes a time to do a good deed for that person or concern, we carry our support some where else. When I was a boy in the country, a certain friend of mine use to ride to and from Meridian on my wagon. While riding, he would say good things about me. I was always giving him a ride. About once a month it would fall his lot to have two or three hundred pounds of hauling done. My price was 30 cents for 300 pounds, another friend of his would haul it for 25 cents. Every time he got ready to have 300 pounds of hauling done he would go to his other friend who would charge him 10 cents to come to town on his wagon, whereas I charged him nothing.

He would save 5 cents on his 300 pounds and use me as a tool in making his trips to town. I see people like that every day. They will use you when they can get you for nothing, they will use your influence, but when it come to giving you a little job, if you are a few pennies higher, he forgets that he is useing you for nothing, and goes to the other fellow who can help him in just one way, namely; in hauling or some little job.

Men and women should be particular in life, when it comes to helping and being helped. I have bought goods from a number of places that were a little higher than others, that is from one view point, but all things being equal, they were cheaper. Let us not use men and women as mere tools, saying good things about them, but when it comes to doing something go to the other fellow.

If a man will loan me $10.00 when I get in a tight, help me when I need it, I would rather buy a sack of flour from him if it is 5 cents more on the sack than go to the fellow who will not help me when I need help and get a sack of flour 5 cents less.

There are some preachers, teachers, doctors and common laborers who will get all they can out of you for nothing but would not help you in anything. I have been a close observer and I can name several persons who have always got a moth full of GIVE ME.

IMPORTANT

The Central Group of the Seminary Alumni enjoyed a lovely afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lucile Barron Kimball, 1212-35th Avenue., Wednesday evening, October 28th, 1931. On account of the interference of the Mass meeting Sunday Nov. 1st., with the Pageant "Promised Land" it was decided to have the Mass Meeting two weeks later. This meeting will be on Nov. 15th, 1931. We hope that all of the groups will please continue to work earnestly.

The next meeting of the Central group will be at the home of Miss Ozell Jones, 3401-11th Street, Wednesday night, Nov. 4th, 1931.

J. B. Pettus, Reporterer

When money departs "Hard Work" is about the only return address that it leave.

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SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL REPORTS DECEMBER BOARD COLLECTIONS ROUND REPORTS CALLED FOR

In this issue, we are herewith publishing the financial reports made by the Local Presidents in the September Board. If any corrections are to be made: Local Presidents are asked to notify the office. We have done our best to give correct financial statements regarding each lodge.

We wish also to stress the idea of making round reports in the December Boards. We have mailed out Quarterly Report Blanks, as well as notified you through the Echo regarding the Board Collections.

All Presidents are asked to collect $1.25 per member and report same in the December Board. The Boards will meet as follows:

December 1st., Macon, Miss., D. J. Harlem, President.

December 2nd., H. B. A. Auditorium, Meridian, Miss.

December 3rd., West Enterprise, Miss

December 4th., Bassfield, Miss. Presidents will please bear in mind that taxes must be paid, notes on our building must be met, death claims must be paid. It is urgently necessary that you do your best to make round reports for all of your members.

The Following Lodges Reported the Following Amounts for Dues Death Claims in the September Boards:-

Lodge No.	Amount
1	$45.25
2	78.85
3	58.35
4	46.65
5	28.45
8	11.65
9	56.45
11	71.85
18	21.45
19	32.65
20	48.05
21	91.95
22	49.45
23	60.75
25	53.65
27	41.65
30	52.25
31	34.05
32	34.05
33	49.45
39	67.65
40	52.85
42	36.85
44	18.65
45	28.45
47	43.85
49	28.45
50	41.65
52	25.65
54	21.45
55	31.25
56	11.65
57	133.45
58	,35.45
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62	8.85
63	17.25
64	34.05
66	11.65
67	38.25
69	81.65
71	34.05
72	49.45
74	29.85
75	27.05
76	45.65
77	29.85
79	17.25
80	74.65
82	64.85
85	60.65
92	126.45
93	95.65
94	73.25
95	34.05
96	28.45
98	18.65
99	38.25
102	42.95
103	13.05
105	32.65
108	62.05
110	31.25
111	6.05
112	39.65
113	133.45
114	45.25
115	17.25
116	81.65
118	42.45
119	109.65
121	18.65
122	38.25
123	50.85
125	48.05
127	60.75
130	48.55
131	34.05
132	18.65
133	51.25
135	32.65
136	14.45
139	53.65
141	35.45
145	68.65
146	46.65
147	27.05
148	24.40
151	25.25
152	29.85
153	45.25
157	49.45
159	21.45
160	23.65
161	42.25
165	25.65
167	14.45
173	23.35
174	10.25
176	29.85
178	16.35
179	4.65
180	13.05
181	15.85
185	66.25
189	42.45
190	122.25
192	10.25
193	32.65
194	61.15
195	55.05
196	64.85
198	42.45
199	28.45
200	41.05
201	21.45
203	8.85
204	6.05
205	38.25
209	7.45
210	15.85
212	46.65
215	29.05
217	20.05
218	24.25
219	13.05
220	20.05
221	14.45
222	32.65
224	40.25
228	11.65
230.	31.25
231	51.35
232	21.45
233	18.65
235	18.65
236	42.45
237	11.65
239	56.45
240	61.25
241	7.00
242	31.25
245	17.25
247	17.25
249	20.05
251	15.70
252	14.45
253	103.55
254	27.05
256	7.45
257	8.85
258	10.25
259	7.45
260	53.65
261	53.65
262	7.45
263	85.85
264	10.25
266	25.65
267	24.25
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270	55.05
272	4.65
275	7.45
276	15.85
277	33.65
78	35.45
279	1.25
281	17.25
285	38.25
286	28.45
288	62.05
289	6.05
290	32.65
293	22.85
294	31.25
296	18.65
297	13.05
298	31.75
299	17.25
300	11.65
301	35.45
302	17.25
303	15.85
304	48.05
305	29.85
306	94.25
308	29.85
311	33.95
313	15.85
316	19.25
317	72.35
322	10.25
323	7.45
324	31.25
326	34.05
329	14.45
330	18.65
331	28.45
333	8.85
334	11.65
336	11.65
337	59.25
339	46.65
340	7.45
342	11.65
343	21.45
344	27.05
345	29.45
347	15.85
348	40.15
349	6.05
352	4.80
353	67.25
354	25.65
355	55.05
358	21.45
359	8.85
360	7.45
362	38.25
364	38.25
368	87.75
369	10.25
373	35.45
375	14.45
376	7.45
377	6.05
378	25.65
380	13.05
381	36.85
382	3.75
383	36.85
384	28.45
386	10.25
387	53.65
388	20.05
389	34.05
390	28.45
392	36.85
393	7.45
394	113.95
395	13.05
396	15.85
398	7.45
399	24.80
400	87.25
402	10.25
403	49.45
410	17.25
411	35.45
413	21.45
416	30.95
418	14.45
420	44.95
422	109.65
424	10.25
426	46.65
428	8.85
429	11.65
430	92.90
431	19.20
432	16.35
435	7.45
438	27.05
437	10.25
439	4.65
441	62.05
442	18.65
444	46.65
445	15.85
446	14.45
450	63.45
451	17.25
452	32.65

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor:-

Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 270 is moving along nicely. On the 21st of October, we had our state agent, Mr. J. E. Durr, with us. At 7:30 sharp Mr. Durr was on the grounds, accompanied by my old friend and play mate, Dr. Watts.

Lodge No. 270 has never been visited by an agent before, because for several years I was an agent, and I inspected the records etc., of my lodge. After the meeting began and agent Durr was introduced and hailed with honor, I proceeded with lodge work, and, let Mr. Durr have his way.

I wish to congratulate the General President and Secretary for issuing license to a man like Mr. Durr. If we had a few more Durrs on the field, we would have better H. B. A. lodges scattered over the state of Mississippi. I wish to state that you made no mistake when you put agent Durr out on the field. He gave a very, very interesting talk with regards of the H. B. A. from its infancy to its present stage. Three members were added to our lodge by agent Durr. Dr. Watts was introduced and he made an inspiring speech. He is an H. B. A. booster. The speeches made by Mr. Durr and Dr. Watts were highly enjoyed by all present. After our lodge was inspected by agent Durr, I am proud to state that he placed same in class "A". I am sure our lodge will increase its membership since Mr. Durr injected new life into it. The members were able to get any information they were desirous of from agent Durr. We all were glad to have the information with regards to the Burial Department. We wish to invite any of the officers from the headquarters to come and be with us at any time.

A. J. Barnett, President.
Lodge No. 270.

BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

Dear Editor:-

This comes to inform you that I was not able to meet the September Board and, for that reason, I didn't fully understand the Burial Department and the way it was to function, but after seeing full details of it through the columns of the Weekly Echo I now understand.

I wish to state that the publication of a paper is one of the greatest steps that a race or nation could take. We can, why not?

The Burial Department is a great achievement of the H. B. A. I read the Echo to my lodge, No. 353, and they all seem to be well pleased with same.

"SINGING CONTEST"

There was a singing contest Saturday night Oct. 24, 1931, at the Union Church between the Quitman Quartette and the Pe-Ivory Quartette. A small admission fee was charged.

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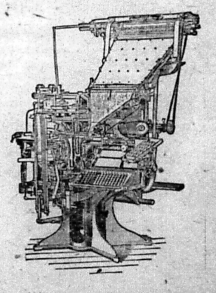

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Te tongue is woman's weapon, even as the fist is man's, and it is a deadlier weapon.
First among the women, an' a mating first in war.
You shall see that wealth and women are deceitful just the same.
Women mean trouble, and dress clothes
I know the ways of women,
When you will they won't,
And when you won't they're dying for you
It is better to dwell in the corner of the house top than with a brawling woman in a wide house.

QUITMAN, MISS.

(By Miss Johnnie B. Mitchell

"SCHOOL NOTES"

The former graduates were visitors at the School Friday, Misses Geraldine Williams, Vera Chatman, Dessaree McClinton, Vinie Green and Edna Jones. Messrs. Isaac Chatman, Bolton Jones, Columbus Williams and Otto Sumrall. We were also proud to have Miss Carrie Jones a recent graduate of the Meridian Baptist Seminary. Misses Jones and Chatman donated a box of cookies to the kiddies. We are very grateful to these young women.

A very interesting, get acquainted social was given by the Senior Class of the Meridian Baptist Seminary Thursday night, October 15th, 1931 at the School auditorium. The guests enjoyed many different games after which a course of Cherry and almond punch and cakes was served.

Miss Annie Mae Sand, Reporter

The East End division of the Seminary Alumni Association met Monday night, October 19th, 1931, at the home of Miss Dora Sands, 1923-11th Ave. during the meeting plans were made to raise money for the Association after which the members enjoyed a very interesting talk by the General President, Mr. William Crockett. The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Naomi Brown,, Lacy's Bottom. All members are urged to be present.

AGENT J. E. DURR'S REPORT

Dear Editor:-

Allow me space in the columns of the Weekly Echo to make my report which is as folllows:-

In my visit to lodge No. 141, with Mr. A. R. Price as local president, I wish to state that I inspected all records and installed officers. This lodge does not seem to be adding any new members, but they are holding their own. They have an H. B. A. charter and a record book. Lodge No. 141,located at Enterprise, Mississippi, is to be commended for the splendid way in which its records are kept.

I found lodge No. 145, with Mr. H. R. Evans as, president ,at Enterprise, Miss., in a fine condition also . They have all of the things that it takes to make a successful lodge. Prof. Evans is doing a splendid work . I lectured and explained certain articles in the constitution to this lodge, and left them with a new determination. I visited lodge No 74, with Mr. A. Munual as local president. This lodge is located at Stonewall, Mississippi and is very small, but they are lined up to do real H. B. A. work. I found that president Manual is the right president for this lodge. They all seem to be working in harmony with one another. He has quite a bit of influence with the people of his community and I think ere long his lodge will increase its membership.

Lodge No. 247, with Mr. G. D. Cotton as local president at West Enterprise, Mississippi seems to be located in a hard place. President Cotton and his members put over a wonderful pro gram I found them with an H. B. A. Charter, and Record and left the H. B. A. fire burning.

Lodge No 247, with Mr. J. R. Jordan as local president seems to be in a very good condition. I lectured and left them inspired to do better H. B. A. work. I also installed officers and found them with a good record. Lodge No. 242 with Mr. A. L. Williams as local president is in a good condition. The president and members are all working in harmony like bees.

Editor in charge:

Will you please accept this small article? A round-table discussion was held among a number of brave students of the eighth grade (B) section of Wechsler High School Friday, October 16th, This discussion was sponsored by a substitute teacher Miss Kresses Elverta Young, a member of present senior class. filling the space that was made vacant by the absence of the sponsor of the senior class Miss Zee Alfin Anderson on the account of the death of her beloved mother.

"Resolve that a boy is more useful to a family than a girl"

Affirmative, boys —— Negative, girls

Judges were girls from the senior class; Misses Bernice Braddock, Mary Barns, Arcola Brown. The judges decided in the favor of the negative side, of girls. The girls won by four points.

Mother and Dad would be suprised to hear their young lawyers.

Dear Editor:-

My members and I are glad to know that the Association is now furnishing a casket to bury our members. I have been thinking that something ought to be done. If there is any body who needs it, this poor race of ours needs it. I am glad to know that we have some thinking leaders. We wish to assure you all as officers of the H. B. A. that we are standing by you.

Jennie E. Adams, President.
Shubuta, Miss.

CHURCH NEWS

The following churches constitute the MeridianCircuit:

Rev. G. C. Borroum, B. D. Pastor,

Bethel A. M. E. Church

930 Sunday School, Bro. Willie Stancil, Supt.

11:00 o'clock Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion service is the first Sunday in each month.

Trustee day is the third sunday at 11 o'clock.

Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church

9:30 Sunday School.

11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion day, second sunday in each month.

Official board is Monday night after the second sunday in each month.

Lampton Chapel A. M. E. Church

The regular pastoral day the fourth Sunday in each month.

The public is cordially invited to these services in each month.

New Pospect Baptist Church

9th Avenue and 20th Street Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays.

9:40 Sunday School.

Preaching 11:30 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

5:30 P. M. B. Y. P. U.

Club each Friday night at different homes.

E. L. WEEKS, Clerk,
C. J. BOYKINS, Pastor.

Haven Chapel M. E. Church

J. M. Shumpert, Pastor.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church

The Welcome Corner

13th Avenue and 14th Street.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., R. W. Young, Supt.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor.

31st Avenue Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.

Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Calvary Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.

Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.

Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

Sunday School—9:30 A M.

Preaching—11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M.

A. C. E. League—6:30 P. M.

Rev. W. H. Murrell, D. D., Pastor

EL BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

13th Street 30th Avenue

Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.

A. J. Riser, Supt.

Preaching 11:00 a. m.

Evening Ssrvice, 7:30 p. m.

Rev. A. L. Perkins, Pastor

"CHURCH NOTES"

The Pearlie Grove Baptist Church of which the Rev. M. J. Barlow is pastor has just closed one of the most successful revivals in the history of the Church. Brother Barlow is doing great work for the town, of Quitman and we are very very grateful to him, may he live a longer life and continue to do good.

DO SOMETHING!

Ye men of wealth, O. please take heed
Of avarice and selfish greed,
There's thousands in this land to feed-
So do something.

Now I have kiddies and a wife
And I've been honest all my life
I don't believe in crime or strife—
So do something.

The awful consequence I dread
To see our children cry for bread;
The people surely will "see red"—
So do something.

Ye rulers of the land take heed,
'Tis up to you to meet the need,
Unlock the doors of wealth and feed—
So do something.

I trust you won't misunderstand,
I seek the good of this great land
Don't horde the wealth at your command;
Do something quickly.

Exchange—J. K.

Mrs. A. M. Thomas who has been seriously ill for the past is improving at this writing.

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A Bugle Call By The General President

Dear Presidents:- I am continuing my appeal to you for a strong continuation of the H. B. A. drive. We want you to do your best to help us add 500 members by January 1st. We want 400 of this number to be reported in the next Boards. We are proud to tell you that we have added 200 new members in the past 45 days. This is an average of about four members daily. Will you stand by us and help us to go over the top?

HARD TIMES

Some people talk about hard times, but hard times is an unknown term with us as H. B. A.s. Give us the best in your community. See to it that the H. B. A. flag does not trail in the dust.

IT CAN BE DONE

If you want a thing done and done right, just call the Loyal Presidents and members of the H. B. A. We can do it, for we have done it. Come on and give us 200 members by the Board. Then give us another hundred in December. I am depending upon you. Yours for the success of the Order. REV. E. F. YOUNG, General President.

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WECHSLER HIGH SCHOOL CLOSED SUCCESSFUL DRIVE

Friday, October 23, 1931 during the regular assembly period the teachers and students of the Wechsler High School witnessed the closing of a drive for funds to support the Athletic Association and for general purpose.

This drive was of a short duration. The sponsors of the various classes organized their groups into working units that entered heartily into the spirit of the organization and when the hour for report came, every class working went over the top, raising more than the allotted amount.

As the report was called the classes reported to the "Steering Committee" as following:

Miss Alma Reese (4th. Gr.) $10.65; Miss R. Robinson (4th. Gr.) 10.25; Miss M. L. Harkum (5th. Gr.) $11.10 Miss Wilhemenia Gore (6th. Gr.) $10.00; Miss Bessie Trotter (7th. Gr.) $20.30; Miss Beatrice Sims (7th. Gr.) $15.20; Miss Mattie Harkum (8th. Gr.- $16.30; Prof. Reed, (8th. Gr.) $15.35; Prof. Smith (9th. Gr.) $27.87; Prof. Fagen (9th. Gr.) $26.25; Miss Pearl Varnado (10th. Gr. B) $25.10; Miss Dorthy Harris (10th. Gr. A) $36.00; Miss Mabel Sherman (11th. Gr.) $25.05; Miss Zee A. Anderson (12th. Gr.) $28.00.

The class raising the largest amount was the A section of the Sophomore class sponsored by Miss Dorothy H. Harris. As a mark of appreciation for the splendid guidance of the sponsor of this group, a token was presented Miss Harris during the assembly period Monday morning by her class.

A splendid school spirit prevails among teachers and students, and all activities of the school are moving smoothly. Everybody is now settling down to serious work as they do not have to worry about funds to carry out the schedule of games as planned.

All classes extend to the public their appreciation for the hearty suport given them in helping put over the drive in such a successful manner.

P. T. A. EAST END SCHOOL

The P. T. A. of the East End School met Tuesday October 27, 1931, at 3:00 o'clock, in the school building. The following ladies were present: Mesdames Callie Booker, Johnnie Glispie, Parilee Lewis, Allie Mae Brown, Ruth Gilbert, Priscilla Thompson, Addie Sloans, Jessie Bryant, Velma Alexander, Mattie Bell, L. Calhoun, Bertha Ashford, Estella Young, Nettie McLemore, Verda McCarty, Jessie W. Johnson, Mary Johnson, Zanthia Rimpson and Maggie Barksdale.

Misses Emma B. Ivy, Nettie M. Wobbington, Annie Curry, Fannie Dawson, Albena Smith, Esther D. Thornton.

A very interesting meeting was held. The president and members discussed plans for beautifying the school yard. Miss Ivy spoke on the benefits of the "Weekly Echo" to the colored people. Those present were one hundred per cent subscribers. Some of the ladies spoke in very highest terms of the paper and all expressed themselves as enjoying reading it. After the regular business session, a social hour was enjoyed and a delicious Ice course was served. The meeting adjourned to meet the fourth Tuesday in November.

Mrs. Magnolia Johnson, President
Mrs. Laura Harris Secretary.

ROSE PAGEANT

The Pageant of The Roses, that was given at the City Hall Monday night, was declared by those who saw it, to be one of the most elaborately, costumed, colorful artistic programs, that has ever been given by the colored people of the city. The Queen of the pink Roses, Mrs. M. Pearl Strayhorn, was crowned Queen of all the other roses

The pink roses in carring out their stunt received the loudest and longest applause, and for that reason will be the guest of honor at the luncheon. The American Beauty roses received the next loudest and longest applause. All groups performed with grace and Beauty. The solos sung by ourlocal artists were highly enjoyed. The five musicians at the piano for the different groups played beautifully throughout the entire program. The pageant may be repeated at a later date The amount raised was $117.65. W. thank all who took a part or helped in any way to make the Pageant a success

LAUGH AND FEEL BETTER

By R. L. Young

BUYING A TICKET

Shortly after the Civil War a good colored sister went to the Railroad Station to purchase a ticket. As she approached the window the Ticket Agent looked at her pleasingly and asked: "Auntie, what will you have?" "Sar, I want to buy a ticket." "Where do you want to go Auntie" replied the Agent? "None of your blame bisness Sar." You white folks want to know too much about where we gwing. Your bisness is to sell me a ticket."

HAND IN TROUSER

A teacher said to her pupils one day. "You all should learn to do things with both hands. You should do a thing as easy with one hand as you can with the other."

A young fellow at the foot of the class asked.

"Is that so,"

"Yes;" replied the teacher

"Well professor I wish you would put your left hand in your right hand pocket of your trousers."

WECHSLER HIGH DEFEATS LANIER HIGH 13—0

The Wechsler High Black Cats, tutored by Coach Ted Smith defeated Coach "Toy" Alexander's Lanier High Bulldogs before several hundred fans at the Mississippi Negro State Fair.

The Contest was a most bitterly fought one with the first half being scoreless. Soon after the third quarter began Capt. Stump Jones, on an off tackle smash with brilliant blocking by his team mates, made a 45 yd. dash for the first marker of the game. The last score was made in the 4th period. The Bulldogs played a great defensive game, but they had little to offer offensively.

Twice they reached the two yard line of the visitors but were unable to dent the great Black Cats forward wall. This after-noon victory gave the Cats 3 victories and one tie in four contests between the two schools.

PARTY

On Friday evening, October 23, Miss Emma B. Ivy entertained Miss Geneva C. Jones of Chicago, Ill., in the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewy Harris The rooms were lovely in cut flowers.

The guests were welcomed at the door by the hostess. Progressive whist was the main feature of the party; but the hostess introduced an educational game called "Telegrams." This game was played by those of the guests who did not care to participate in playing whist. The score prize in whist was won by Mrs. Emma Blackwell. The "booby" was won by Mrs. M. Wilson A prize was given to Mrs. Cora Williams for having composed the best telegram. The guest prize given to Miss Jones, was a gift from the East End School and, was presented to her by the principal, in remembrance for her efficient, faithful and willing cooperation of past years while she served as a teacher in the school. Miss Jones responded in a very charming way as she accepted the token. The hostess was assisted in serving a salad and ice course by Mrs. Harris and Misses Esther D. Thornton and Lucile Barret. The Hallowe'en colors being used in the refreshments.

The guests were as follows: Mesdames Esther Butler, M. Wilson, Emma Blackwell, Naomi Sims. Cora Williams, Bessie Beal, Desree Harris, Lula Beal, Minnie P. Strayhorn, Laura Harris Maud Bishop, Rosa Bufkins, Misses Nettie M. Wobbington, Annie Curry, Esther D. Thornton, Albena Smith, Dorthy Harris and Lucile Barret.

Owing to a recent illness of both Mrs. Velma Young and Miss Fannie Dawson, were unable to be present.

After the party the guests went to the Saenger Theatre to see, "Devotion".

GOOD REMEDY

Upon an occasion a good sister went to her pastor registering complaints against the conduct of her husband. She described him as being low-down, worthless, trifling and no account. After she was through the minister asked this good member if she had ever tried heaping coals of fire on his head. "No was her reply, but I done tried Hot Water."

GETTING IN HEAVEN

An Ex-Slave woman was a custom to smoking her pipe. Her teacher in Sunday School said, "Do you expect to go to heaven?" "Yes indeed I does." "Well the Bible says, nothing unclean shall enter there. You know the breath of a smoker is unclean. What do you think about that?" "Well I recon I leave ma bref behind when I enter dar'

COLORED MATHEMATICS

Once upon a time a Southern Senator rented several acres to one of his colored neighbors. The land was to be planted in corn, and the Senator was to receive a fourth of his production. The corn was gathered and the Senator failed to receive his fourth. One day he met the colored man, he said.

"Look here Sam, have you gathered the corn yet?"

"Yes' sir boss long ago."

"Well wasn't I to get a fourth?"

"Yes sir, boss dat's the truf, but there wan't no fourth there was jes three loads and they all belonged to me."

ON ITS WAY

"What is an egg" asked the missionary who was testing his pupils knowledge in English?

"An egg" said the little foreign boy "is a chicken not yet."

LOCALS

Mesdames Lizzie Saunders and Inda Medlock, accompained by Mr. Theodore Gaines, have returned from thei recent visit to Atlanta, Columbus and other places of interest in Georgia They express themselves as having enjoyed a very pleasant trip.

The younger set is glad to know that Miss Hazel Weston, 1610, 29 Ave., has recovered from a recent illness, most especially, Mr. Coak, Bolton.

Mrs. Erselle Bounds-Deloach, of 3212 11th Street, left Tuesday, October 23rd at 3:05 P. M. for Chicago, Ill., where she will join her husband.

Professors E. L. Williams and J. D. Brown, accompanied by their wives were distinguished guests Sunday. They were childhood friends of Mrs. Williams and wanted to hear her.

Rev. Z. A. Brent, Church clerk, and a former student of the Baptist Seminary, now principal of the city school at Taylorsville.

Mrs. William Emerson, her three sisters, son and daughter have returned after spending three weeks in East St. Louis, Ill., where they were called by the illness and death of their brother and uncle Rev. J. F. Adams. They were accompanied by Mr. Theodore Gaines.

Mr. J. E. Durr, State Agent, visited H. B. A. Lodge No. 190, Friday night, October 23, since money was so scarce, we were not able to give Brother Durr what we wanted to, however, we gave him satisfaction, but we were not satisfied with it. However we are going to do better next time.

D. L. Harris, Reporter.

Miss Lucile Thompson is recuperating nicely at her home, after having under-gone an operation for appendicitis, at Anderson's infirmary.

Mrs. Katie Wilson, wife of Mr Henry Wilson, and little daughters, Mazie and Eunice, left the city Monday for Hattiesburg, Miss., where they will visit Mr. Wilson's parents Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Wilson. While in Hattiesburg, Mrs. Wilson's address will be 125 E. 5th St.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Hooper Street and 46th Ave.
Sunday School 9:30 a. m.
Service 11:00 a. m.
B. Y. P. U. 5:00 p. m.
Rev. J. C. Armstrong, Pastor

Usher Board Pew Rally 3:00 p. m.

Song by the Choir
Invocation ___ App.
Song ___ Choir
Welcome ___ Miss V. B. Armstrong
Solo ___ Miss Cora L. Mesley
Reading ___ Mr. James Ray, Jr.
Duett ___ Misses Irene Dancy, Willie Dees
Sermon ___ Rev. J. S. Spinks

Captains of Pew Rally

Misses Vertie Bell Armstrong, Cora Lee Mesley Rose Mitchell.

Local Program 7:00 p. m.

Mr. J. G Parker, President, Miss Verdie Bell Armstrong, Cor. Secretary.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

The Sunday School department with about 11 classes at Calvary Baptist Church seems to be doing splendid work. The teachers seem to be interested in this department.

Mrs. Jessie Kelly was sick for the past month not being able to take care of her class.

The total finance collected for the month of October was $12.25 Brother S. L. Moore, Supt., Mrs M. E. Jenkins, Sec'y, Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

The Circle of Truth of Calvary Baptist Church met Monday night October 26h at the home of Mrs. M. E. Jenkins.

Mrs. Lillie Cross, Leader.

The Lowest Bible class of Calvary Baptist Church meets every Wednesday evening at 5:00 o'clock. Mothers are asked to send their children. Mrs. M. E. Jenkins, President, Alice Washington, Instructor, Mrs. A. M. Davis, Secretary.

IMPORTANT

Our friends furnishing church news and local programs, where a large number of characters are participating are earnestly requested to refrain from giving so many names as nearly as possible. Plays with 40 or 50 characters are readily acepted by the Echo, however, we feel that it is an injustice on us to have to carry such a large number of names; persons who are participating. Please do not get the idea that we do not want to publish your names, but we sometime send in too many names.

THE WEEKLY ECHO

"PROMISED LAND"

This pageant will be presented Tuesday night, November 3rd, at the Court House at 8:15 P. M., Mrs. J. P. Reese, Promoter and Directress. Prof. G. M. Reese, Writer.

LEADING CHARACTERS

Guardian Angels ___ Mrs. Laura Harris Mrs. T. J. Harris.
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Scroll Reader ___ Mrs. Gossie Prentiss
Harpist ___ Miss Dorthy Harris.
St. Peter ___ Mr. Ed Sumpter.
Devil ___ Mr. Walter Grace
Mother's girl ___ Miss Claudell Williams
Pilgrim of Light ___ Miss Ozell Jones.
Pilgrim of Zion ___ Mrs. Cora Williams.
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Pilgrim of Truth ___ Mr. Johnnie B. Pettus.
Wayward Traveler ___ Miss Bertha Brantley.
Blind Man ___ Mr. Dewy Shaw
Awarding Angels ___ Mrs. Shaw, Miss Nellis Knighton
Burden Bearers ___ Misses Beatrice Sims, Annie Curry.
Hypocrite ___ Miss Clara Boyd
Gamblers ___ Messrs Wm. Crockett, Tom Weston
Dancing Girl ___ Miss Noami R. Sims
Sinner Men ___ Messrs. Curtis Sherrod, Earl Dansby.
Wayward Girl ___ Mrs. Hattie McCann
The Widow ___ Mrs. A. B. Blackwell
The Rich Man ___ Mr. James Crawford
Reformed Drunkard ___ Mr. [illegible] Robe[illegible]
Chr[illegible] ___ Miss Pearl [illegible]
Dorcas ___ [illegible]
Old Ship of Zion ___ Dr. H. W. Wilson
Mrs. Esther Hunter, advisor, Mrs. Mary Emerson, Robes, E. D. Bishop Wings.

Choirs from the following churches are represented in the Pageant: Pilgrim Progress, 31st. Avenue, 1st. Congregation, Calvary, St. Paul, Newell Chapel, Union, Mt. Zion, New Era, El Bethel, New Hope, St. James, Church of God, Haven Chapel.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Please remember that the Weekly Echo reserves the right to object publication of any article that we think is not for the good and benefit of the people in general. Please remember that the Echo is not responsible for the thoughts and ideas of individuals in individual write ups.

The P. T. A. of Bonita School met Thursday October 22nd., and elected officers. Mrs. Birdie Ward, President, Mrs. Dora Horn, Vice-President, Mrs. Tharon Hall, Secretary, Zola Mae Kennedy, Asst. Secretary, Ruby Nolan, Treasurer.

Committee: Ethel Easley, Miss Bertha Brantley, Mrs. Lillian Jones, Teachers.

MOURNING SOME

At one time an old colored woman went to a dry good store and stop before the Underwear Counter. She approached the clerk and said.

"Honey is you got any black underwear? I lost mah old man lately and I mourning for him."

"No Auntie" replied the young lady, "but I have some very nice white ones won't they do?"

"No honey, replied the old woman with a deep sigh. No, they wan't. When I mourns, I mourns clean down to the skin."

CHECKS KILLED, DEAD AND BURIED

Bad checks, given by presidents and members of the H. B. A. have killed your opportunity for issuing personal checks. Quite a few of our local presidents and members, in the last Boards, gave personal checks for Death Claims and Quarterly Dues. We ABSOLUTELY will not receive any more personal checks—

FROM NOW ON

If you insist in paying your claims in personal checks, we will only take them for collection. We will ABSOLUTELY refuse to give anybody a receipt for ANY PERSONAL CHECKS. "I aint talking to one, and, I aint talking to two, I am talking to the whole H. B. A. CREW."

"I done said it brethern." Got bad checks on hand now from the September Boards.

R. L. YOUNG, Sec'y

BACK TO NATURE

A white man asked a colored man, why it was that colored persons did'nt commit suicide.

"Well you see it is dis way with a white pussun, when a white pussun has any trouble he sits down and gits to studyin bout it and worryin. The firs thing you know he done killed hisself. But when a colored pussun sets down to thinking about his troubles he jes nacherly goes to sleep"

ONE IS ENOUGH

"You think you love my daughter said the old man?"

"Yes, sir", I love her replied a young fellow.

"Why I would die for her, for one soft glance from those sweet eyes. I would hurl myself from yonder cliff and perish. A bruised rock 200 feet below."

The old man began shaking his head, he groaned, "well well, I am something of a liar myself, and one is enough for a small family like mine."

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HATTIESBURG Vs WECHSLER BLACK CATS

BUILDING INTERRACIAL GOOD-WILL

Building Interracial Good-Will

(BY CHANNING H. TOBIAS)

Ii Augusta, Georgia in the heart of the Old South, for many years an experiment in education and in the building of interracial good-will has been going on under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South and the Colored Methodist Church. Established as a school for the training of leaders, Paine College has sought to live up to this objective. It has had no ambition to grow into a great university, nor has it yielded to the whims of the faddist in education. It has been content to remain a small college.

The founder, and president for twenty-seven years, was George Williams Walker, a white South Carolinian of culture and high scholastic ideals. So unusual was the interest of this cultured southern white man in the education of the Negro that it aroused the suspicion of many colored people and the opposition of most white people. Mr. Walker avoided controversy and went quietly about the work of giving personal instruction to a small group of colored young men and women in rented quarters in the down-town section of the city. This group included the late John Wesley Gilbert and John Hope, both of whom young Walker helped prepare for Brown University where they subsequently distinguished themselves. These first experiments proved so successful that the sponsoring churches purchased the valuable property where the college is now located and authorized sufficient expenditures to employ a few teachers In the beginning all the teachers were white, but as soon as John Wesley Gilbert completed his graduate work in the American College at Athens, Greece President Walker nominated him for a position on the faculty. The trustees objected on the ground that while it was helpful and proper for white people to teach Negroes it would be unwise for white and Negro teachers to serve together on the same faculty. President Walker insisted on the appointment of Dr. Gilber and the trustees yielded. From that day up to the present time the faculty has been interracial and the finest of relationships have obtained between its members.

The present president is Mr. E. C. Peters, a native of Tennessee, who has received his training at the University of Tennessee, Columbia University and the University of Chicago. He belongs to that progressive group of younger leaders of the Southern Methodist Church, like Will W. Alexander, Jackson Davis, N. C. Newbold, Louise Young and others, who are making such outstanding contributions to better interracial understanding and justic in the South.

The Present Board of Trustees is composed of colored and white men and women whose contacts and services have influenced race relationships in the South as well as directed the administration of the college. Two instances stand out. When the Georgia legislature had put through its house a bill to make it unlawful for white teachers to teach in Negro schools, it was the quiet work of influential members of the Paine College trustee board thatkilled the bill in the senate. When the board of education of Augusta used all kinds of politcal pressure to force the college to sell its present property at a sacrifice because it was in a white neighborhood and had become desirable for a white educational development, it was a white woman member of the college trustee board who served notice on the city authorities that the college would not be browbeaten into sacrificing its property. This simple declaration settled the whole question.

Because of the sound educational policy pursued by Paine College and the helpful interracial influence it is exerting its circle of friends is constantly widening.

EDITOR'S NOTE

The above article written by Dr. Channing H. Tobias of New York is very interesting. Dr. Tobias is a native of Georgia. A graduate of Paine College and is now Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Colored Division. He is one of the most outstanding leaders of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church. If we were to elect Dr. Tobias Bishop of our church in 1934, we would make no mistake.

In reading the above article, you will readily see that there is a great opportunity in this, our South land for Inter-racial Good-Will. It was my good fortune to spend four years in College at Paine in Augusta Georgia. It is a wonderful opportunity to be instructed by christian men and women of two races, namely, white and colored, in the south land. Some of the happiest days of my life were the days spent in Paine, where white and colored people mingled to-gether for the common good of mankind. When I think of the great work, that is to be done along interracial lines, I am thoroughly convinced that the Methodist Episcopal Church South, and the Colored Methodist Church have the greatest opportunity to put over a real constructive program than any two christian bodies in the south. What we need to-day is sober minded white and colored leaders, who are willing to make a sacrifice for the development of Interracial Good-Will.

Dr George Williams Walker was greatly criticized, not only by his own group but by members of our own race for the interest he manifested in Negro education. To visit Paine College, one finds himself in a new atmosphere. Men and women who have attended Paine seem to exhibit a spirit of Good-Will. They seem to be able to grasp the community proplems that go to make for a better community. I shall always feel deeply indebted to the Methodist Episcopal Church South, for the part that it has played in helping me to get a meager foundation, in order that I may serve my race and community to the best of my ability. If the white people, of the various communities and towns,would decide within themselves, that the Negro must be protected; must be helped, he must be trained, it can, and, will be done. We must let our white friends know that we want to do something in life, we want to be something inlife, and, we are looking to them to support us in our ambitions. This does not mean that we are to sit around, as babies "crying for a milk bottle," but it means that we must get up and do something for ourselves, and when in need of help call the white man to help us.

We do not have to go North, East, nor West to make a name for ourselves; to be worthwile in the community; to be an asset in the community, but let us do as Washington said "Let down your bucket where your." The colored man can let down his bucket in Meridian, Mississippi, as well as in Chicago, Illnois. He can make for himself a name in "Dear old Mississippi," if he has the "Stuff" in him. I am of the opinion that white folks are white folks everywhere, and, there is no neen to jump out of the frying pan into the skillet . Just stay in the frying pan until the fire cools down. I know you may be scarred and bruised a bit, but it makes you a stronger man.

Rev. J. W. Walker to Preach

Rev. J. W. Walker of this city and pastor of 2nd James Creek Baptist Church of Brooksville, Miss., will preach at Newell Chapel Church, Church, Sunday at 11:00 a. m. Rev. Walker is a thoughtful preacher and one listening to his sermons will enjoy same.

Music will be furnished by the splendid choir of the church. The church has just purchased 40 Methodist Hymnals, which will not only be used by the choir, but there will be books to distribute to the congregation. The public is cordially invited to these services.

There will be preaching Sunday at 7:30 p. m.

ST. JOHN AND CALVARY BAPTIST—LAUDERDALE COUNTY TEACHERS MEET.

According to reports, a Feast In The Wilderness will be given at the Calvary Baptist Church, 31st Ave. on Friday night, November 13th. The public is cordially invited to attend this Feast.

The St. John Baptist Sunday School with B. Brown as Supt., seems to be doing splendid work. The teachers are all working urgently to make their classes lead. They have recently studied the topic on. "The World's Temperance Day." Mr. Brown has been serving St. John as Supt. for the past 20 years, and he is still an interesting Supt. Mr. Eugene Evans is a young man who is very much in demand. He keeps himself in readiness for any emergency. A Buffalo hunt is to be staged at an early date. Mr. C. W. Robinson seems to be behind this project. The Indians are so very skillful that they thought itwould be wise to drive the buffalos to camp. Mrs. Walter Terrell reports that the St. John Sunday School is a live, Rev. D. Evans is the energetic pastor. C. Hollaway is president of the B. Y. P. U.

She reports that the pastor will preach Sunday at 11:00 and 7:30 p. m.

P. T. A. MEETS

The P. T. A. of pleasant Ridge School held their regular meeting, Friday, October 30th. According to reports the meeting was one of interest. Plans are on foot to improve the school build ing and play grounds. A Penny Picnic that was given under the auspices of the P. T. A. added much to the treasury.

According to reports, the teachers of Laudedale County had a splendid meeting, Tuesday, October 29th at the Court House. A short program was rendered with five minutes discussion on. "Objective for the 31-32 term." The discussion was led by Miss Emma V. Hines and closed by MrsAnnie M. Key According to reports, quite a few of the teachers responded with dues at the roll call. Mrs. Ruby Davis as president and Mrs. M. Key as Secretary.

Lost Four Years Fight

A very brillant and useful character was called into eternity Sunday October 25th, at -:30 p. m. inthe person of Mr. Louis Hopkins. Bro. Hopkins, had reached the age of 71 years, having been borned in Push Mataha, Alabama

For a number of years (35 or 30,) duing his early life Mr. Hopkins, followed a vocation as brick maker, (old way) later pursuing the trade as brick mason at which he worked for a period of 15 years. Mr. Hopkins was prominent and active in religious and church work, having served in a capacity as a local minister, Class Leader and was a very popular member of the St. Paul M. E. Church.

Mr. L. Hopkins, was introduced to the Masonic Order at a date which shows that he has known the works and been dutiful as such for a period of 40 years. His Masonic carreer makes him a most unusual character, beside being a dutiful member of his lodge he was W. M. 20 years. He attained the rank as 32nd man and was a member of T. J. Wilson's lodge No. 113. Even though death was certain the visit came as a shock to his many friends.

Mr. Hopkins leaves to mourn his passing, a christian wife, Mrs. Caroline Hopkins, one daughter Mrs. James McFarlen, one grand-daughter Mrs. Mammie Robinson and two great-grand children, Dorthy and Louise Simon.

The family wish to express their sincere thanks for the beautiful floral designs and the courtesy shown during the illness and death of our beloved one. Surely, death has robbed the church and community of a true christian, who was modest in throught and clean in all acts of life.

OPEN LETTER TO THE SOUTH

BY PRINCIPAL R. R. MOTON

Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

The South is approaching what is for thousands of people both black and white the most critical time of the year. As everyone knows a great part of the farming operations of the South are carried on by advances of money and supplies made in the spring of the year and continuing through the growing season. October fifteenth is the usual time for the matuaing of notes and papers based on these operations.

Always a matter of serious concern to those involved the approaching time of settlement this year is a matter of grave importance particularly to Negro farmers who, like all the rest of us, are involved in the economic depression which prevails throughout the country.

I am taking this means of making an appeal to bankers, merchants and other business men throught the South who have made advances to Negro farmers, asking them to show the largest possible consideration to all those who are under obligations of this sort to them. It is already apparent that the cotton crop this year, though large, will not enable this class of farmers to settle their accounts. Because of the prevailing unsettled conditions there will be a temptation to many creditors to press their debtors to the utmost in obtaining satisfaction for advances made. The effect of such a course will mean grave suffering on the part of thousand of helpless women and children besides men who are wholly without means, not only of meeting their obligations but of sustaining themselves and their families during this depression . This will throw the burden of the support of these people upon the public, and add greatly to the confusion and distress which we must all face.

At the same time I want o make an appeal to all the leaders among my people, preachers, teachers, demonstration agents and the like, to urge all classes to be frugal during these hard times, and to seize every opportunity for honest employment however meager the pay, and to take advantage of every legal means to meet the obligations which they have incurred, and where this is not possible, to see their landlords and creditors and make some definite arrangement with them for carrying over their obligations.

Times like these call for patience and consideration on the one hand and frugality on the other hand. Life in the South is built up on cooperation and good faith between black and white. And to my race it means as much as dollars and cents to have the confidence, good will and support of their white neighbors in every undertaking. This has never been more true than it is today.

At the same time I want to sound a word of warning to my people against permitting themselves to be stirred up by agitators from outside, whether black of white, who come with plausible arguments and fair promises creating suspicion and ill-will between the races, with the ultimate purpose of making trouble even to the point of destroying our own govenment. It has been noted over and over again when those agitators appeal and trouble begins they have a way of disappearing and leavin the ignorant and gullible to bear the burden and blame and suffering caused by their activitiec.

I believe that there is enough common sense amoung the leaders of both races in the South to adjust their problems and difficulties without the intervention of outsiders who know nothing of our local situation and care less for the genuine interests of either race.

In my judgement there never was a time when there was a greater disposition among thinking men and women of the white race in this section to manifest an attitude of justice and fairness towards my people than obtains today. With mutual confidence and good will, with patience and consideration, I am satisfied that all of the difficulties which we now face can be gone through without serious consequences to any of us. The indications are that there is an abundance of foodstuff i in the South and that there is, besides, a disposition to treat all who have need with the utmost consideration. Besides which the federal govenment has already put in operation measures that are intended to take care of emergencies wherever they may occur. With patience and tolerance on both sides I am satisfied that we can face all the hardships that may present themseves without disaster.

Exchange.

Promised Land Enjoyable Event

The play, sponsored by Mrs. Johnnie P. Reese and her husband, Prof. G. M. Reese, of the Baptist Seminary was, an enjoyable event at the Court House, Tuesday 8:15 p. m. Mrs. Reese was successful in her undertaking and she deserves much credit for being able to stage this wonderful play.

Much credit is given those who participated. Those participants played a conspicious part in helping to make it a success. Mrs. Reese was not only given help from the members of our own race, but the white people, such as the A. Gressett Music House, Marks Rothernberg & Co., Miss Brown, the daughter of Mr. L. P. Brown, together with a large number of other white friends who are interested in the work of the Baptist Seminary. The Court House was filled on the second floor and on the gallery. The gallery being reserved for white people. It was the best co-operative effort, with almost an equal number of white and colored present, that has been our pleasure to witness. The participants acted their part well. The play portrayed the early life of the American Negro after slavery. It was our pleasure to witness the original play in Atlanta during the Ecumenical Confefence. The play is more effective when the old time folk songs are sung. There seems to be more spirituality about them. Since the originator ef the play intended that it should portray the scenes and incidents of the Negro just out of slavery, the classical music does not seem to have the bearing upon its listeners as the old time folk songs. The city auditorium in Atlanta, which has a seating capacity of 7,000, had 6,000 persons present to witness the play at 50 cents each. At times everybody was full of laughter, and agah there were thousands of people seen with their handkerchiefs wiping tears from their eyes, because of that deep spiritual effect that the old time songs of our people had on the audience.

We have had quite a few compliments by both white and colored with regards to the play on Tuesday night. We understand that Mrs. Reese is to give other entertainment of the same nature in the city.

$10,000.00 BILLS
$500,000 BILLS
$1,000,000 BILLS

Although heretofore bills in the denomination of $10,000 have been the highest, the treasury has just had printed at the bureau of engraving and printing bills of $1,000,000 and of $500,000 denomination. They seldom are employed in ordinary business transactions but are used as bank reserves.

Hattiesburg To Play Wechsler Black Cats At Traction Park

The Foot Ball Team representing the Eureka High School of Hattiesburg chaffing under the defeat by the Wechsler Black Cats, Thanksgiving of last year are journeying to Meridian to play, November 6th where they will engage in a struggle to recover the lost championship for the junior foot ball players of Mississippi and East Alabama.

Hattiesburg has developed a team that does not give to any school and, has therecord of defeating every High School played except Meridian. Coach Smith and his Black Cats are determind to retain the chaimpionship won last season. All overs of good foot ball will find both teams ready for the classical battle of this season on the home grounds to-day at 2:30 p. m. We should make a special effort to be present at Traction Park this afternoon to cheer the Black Cats on to victory. All of Meridian feels proud of the splendid record that the Black Cats of Wechsler have made. Coach Smith has spared no little pain in seeing to it that his team displays splendid headwork in every game played. Don't fail to meet the boys on the grid iron. Whenever the boys are on the field, Principal T. J. Harris cannot keep still. He is always anxious to see his school win.

Tentative Game Armstice Day November 11th

Coach Smith has a tentative schedule with Livington, Alabama, If the schedule is perfected, the Black Cats will play Livingston at Traction Park, November 11th, Armstice day. The puplic will be notified later if the game is arranged for the above date. If the two schools are successful in arranging this tentative schedule, let us do our best to give them a good attendance.

Letter of Appreciation

I Have been a reader of the Crisis for several years and after reading each issue I have had to suppress a strong urge to write you some criticism or praise.

This time I am not suppressing my urge for I want to add my little word of encouragement to the writer of "Honor." I consider it the most promising bit of fiction that Ihave ever seen in the Crisis. Undoubtedly, the writer possesses talent and I hope she will continue to develop it for we need more colored women who can lead their sex to a broader realization of their possibilities.

I wish this writer success, as I wish success to all colored women, especially those of darker skin, who have worthy ambitions for the betterment of their race.

The colored man has his obstacles to surmount; but the colored woman has at least two ot his one and her'sis, of course, the greater responsibility.

As for my opinion of the Crisis, I read it as soon as it arrives. There are, of course, things that could be criticised. But on the whole, I consider the magazine an outstanding tribute to the accomplishments of the Negro race. It should be an inspiration to all young colored people, and should be read by all colored people in the United States who can read.

If my wish could be fulfilled every white boy and girl of high school age or older, would be readers of the Crisis.

Good luck and kind personal regards, though you will hardly remember ever having seen me.

A White Man, N. J.

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Local Presidents and Members Respond to Burial Dept.

The local presidents of the H. B. A. are responding in a business like manner to the new Burial Department for the members. Ninety per cent of all members who have died since the September Boards have been buried in H. B. A. caskets. Some have desired better caskets than the one that is funished by the H. B. A. and, they have been obtained through the local undertakers We have two or three presidents who have not seen fit to use the H. B. A. caskets. They are at liberty to do so. However,, it is not the best thing for the individual member. When he is paid off by the side of a person who did use the H. B. A. casket. The relatives are going to ask a question. They are going to want to know why? We are confident that some of our local presidents will not be able to explain why? We have made it clear in the Boards, that persons who use the H. B. A. caskets would naturally get more than the person who doesn't for the simple reason, no undertaker in the state of Mississippi can afford to sell his caskets below cost and remain in business. The only way that any undertaker can sell a casket to a member as cheap as the member can buy his own casket is, he must sell it below cost.

We wish to congratulate the undertakers who have fallen in line and are helping us to put over the program. The big bulk of business thus far, since the Burial Department has been in operation, is going to the People's Funeral Home, Jackson, Miss., Beal & Strayhorn, Meridian, Miss., Berry & Gardner, Meridian, Miss. We have some caskets in the delta with the Union Burial Association. We have some at Brookhaven, Miss., with Mr. J. H. Turner in charge. Mr. Tuner is in position to serve the H. B. A.s anywhere in his section. The same is true with the Union Burial Association at Marks, Miss.

Mr A. G. Sampson of the People's Funeral Home at Jackson, Miss., is in position to serve the local president in a radius or 50 to 75 miles of Jackson. There will be no delay when Mr. Samson is called in getting your casket and special service that you may want. We are very very much impressed with the splendid progress that has already been made in the Burial Department A white friend was in the office of the Burial Department a few days ago and remarked that the Holbrook Benevonent Association is doing one of the best businesses of any organization in the city. With a number of caskets in Jackson, Miss., Brookhaven, Miss., Marks, Miss., and Meridian, Miss., we are in position to serve our people on short notice. Thus far, the official undertakers of the Holbrook Benevolent, Association, that is, those who are willing to co-operate in helping the poor people in a race project, are the People's Funeral Home, Jackson, Miss., Beal & Strayhorn, Meridian, Miss., Berry & Gardner, Meridian, Miss., Union, Burial Association, Marks, Miss. J. H. Turner, Brookhaven, Miss. With this number co-operation, success is ours. If any local president desires to co-operate in useing these undertakers who are helping you to exist during this depression, call the office. We are in position to have bodies embalmed and caskets funished at anytime. Our casket firm is so located that we can order caskets from the factory and get them to you over night. The firm never cloces. Just call the office when in need.

HARVEST CONVENTION CLOSES WITH BLAZING SUCCESS

The Harvest Convention, held at Rose Hill M. E. Church, October 28th through November 1st, closed Sunday night. The Convention was presided over with grace and dignity throughout the entire session by our District Supt., Rev. D. L. Morgan.

A large delegation was present and, the meeting was well attended both day and night. Our pastor, Rev. J. A. Williams, was well pleased with the way things were handled by the committee.

Mattie L. Larkin, Reporter.

News has reached the city of the death of Mr. Willie Jefferson of Montgomery,, Ala. Mr. Jefferson died with a stroke, Monday, October 26th. He was known to a large circle of friends as "Bubber."

Mr. Lovelace Tart, a popular young man, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Tartt of DeKalb, Miss., is now in Meridian attending Wechsler High School. While in the city, he is making his home with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Cole, relatives

Mrs. Carrie Cole of DeKalb, Miss. motored last Saturday to spend the day with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cole, and her grand daughter little Carrie Jane Cole

THE LOVE OF ANGERISE

(By Miss Sarah Mercer)

Of good parents and of a good family Angerise McCiel was born near a little country town, her mother and father were sousins, but did not discover the kinship until later. I will get to that. Her first teachers were very careful with her and seemed like every-one looked on her as a child, that ought to be considered. Her deep dark eyes and laughing mouth won her many friends while only a tiny kid, but as she grew older the girls began to turn from her and her gain was among the men. Her high school life was filled with the companionship of many men friends, but there was one that she could not get rid of. His name was Wallace Deal. Wallace was tall, rather dark and wore good clothes of good taste, and, had a way of winning the "Sugar babies" at a glance. Angerise fell hard and fast for him.

So their courtship continued for a very long time with out Mrs. McCiel's knowledge of it.

While out riding one night under the moon light Wallace took Angerise in his arms and said "why not let me take you home, and meet your mother. I believe she will approve of me taking you out once and a while." Angerise (in a whisper) please don't talk about that, if you don't want to ruin my happiness. Lets forget about that. Just let me out at Alice's. Angerise could not sleep well that night for thinking about Wallace. The next morning her mother called her to breakfast more than once, which she never had to do before, "please send it up mother, for I have a headache, and, if anyone calls to see me, tell them I am ill" said Angerise. About 3:00 o'clock Wallace's boss told him that he might take an hour off. The first thing came to Wallace's mind was to call to see Angerise. Taking his hat and cane, called a taxie, giving the address, he got in. Where is this place? "It must be a new house" asked the taxie driver. "I don't know, only I want to meet the land lady." "Well, here we are, replied the taxie driver and this is the address." Wallace didn't know what to do, get out or go back to the office, but the house looked beautiful. Making up his mind at once, "come back for me at 5:00 o'clock Dan." Saying this, he went on in the yard. Angerise's mother answered the door. "What do you want my young man?" She asked. "May I see Angerise he answered with a smile No! No! you may not. I dont think I've met you. What might be your name? Asked Angerise's mother's. Wallace. Deal, replied "Wallace." That's enough, I know you, said Mrs. McCiel, and, will you please leave the house and never come back. Wallace was very much disapointed, because he wanted to see Angerise and wondered why her mother got so angry when he told her his name. He stood looking at Mrs. McCiel with love and hate for her. "Please let me see Angerise for a minute" he begged. Just then Angerise rushed to the door "Come Wallace" she called. No, dear your mother want permit me to enter. "Why mother, she exclaimed, I didn't mean Wallace not to call, "That's not it daughter. Come in here for a minute, and I'll explain." Have a seat young man, Angerise will be back in a minute, " said Mrs. McCiel. They were gone about fifteen minutes. Just then Wallace heard a scream. Then everyone came rushing out at him. "Catch him! for God's sake catch him." (What caused Wallace's fiancee's mother and her friends to rush out at him, will be found in next week's paper.

(To be continued)

THE FOOLISH CORNER

(By C. Ludwig Major, Sr.,)

Women Part III

Women admire the brave, but they prefer the audacious.

All women are treasurers, so much beyound price, that there's no getting rid of them.

Heaven has no rage like love to hatred turned.

Nor hell a fury like a woman's scorned

A violent woman drives a man to drink.

But a nagging woman drives him crazy.

When man and woman die, as poets sing,

His heart is the last part moves, her last, the tongue.

Words are women, deeds are men.

Thou art a woman, and therefore a fool.

Many a woman has cut her own throat with her tongue.

If you would make a good pair of shoes, take for the sole the tongue of a woman;

It never wears out.

Why should women have a tongue, or should it be cursed!

COMING TO MERIDIAN

"Tramps Convention" under auspicies Ever-Ready Club, St. Paul M. E. Church, watch for date.

Man is born of a woman and, is subject to change.

COHAY, MISS

Dear Editor:

Lodge No. 189 is asking for a little space through the columns of the Weekly Echo. We are getting along nicely. We had a lot of sickness,, but thanks to the Lord, they are better.

I certainly do enjoy reading the nice clean, wholesome articles in the columns of the Echo Weekly.

MAGEE, MISS.

Dear Editor:-

Lodge No. 152 has lost a good and faithful member, in the person of Brother F. W. Williamson died October 25th at 5:00 a. m.

He was in good standing with both local and general bodies. He had been a faithful member eight years. We are in deep sympathy with the bereaved family and the circle of his church, of which he was a deacon.

W. R. Smith, President.

MACON, MISS

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me space in the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 381 is doing nicely. We are adding members to our lodge, and I feel that the Lord has blessed us. Our membership as a whole, is doing fine. We are all working in love, peace and harmony. Our president is a young man, but he is doing real H. B. A. work, and we have one of the best treasurers in the state of Mississippi, in the person of Mrs. Zulla Brownridge

Eliza Davis, Reporter

ELLISVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor:

Allow me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that we, lodges No. 77, 202, 55, are co-operating together and are going to put over one big annual sermon. We are planning to have a big drive in order to increase our memberships. The meeting will be held at Double Chapel M. E. Church, but just who will preach our sermon wili be announced later. We want this to be one of the biggest things ever pulled off in Ellisville. Agent J. E. Durr will appear on program.

Our annual sermon will be held on the second Sunday evening in November at 3:00 o'clock. We wish to ask that H. B. A.s and non H. B. A. be present with us on the 2nd Sunday evening at 3:00 o'cclock.

Mrs. Better Faulkner,
Mr. A. A. Alford and A. Moody,
Presidents.

BROOKSVILLE, MISS.

(By Rev. W. J. Walker) ……

November 1st, 1931 was a high day at the Second James Creek Baptist Church. A memoral service, in honor of the late Geo. Wilbourn, was held. Rev. W. G. Walker was accompanied from Meridian to Brooksville with the Eagle Eye Quartett, which rendered real service.

Before the memorial sermon was delivered, the Quartett sang "You ought to live so God can use you," after which Rev. Walker preached from 2nd Timothy 4th Chapter and 7th Verse. I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Subject: Finishing with honors.

First, The Church is Christ's battle ground against sin. Fight sin and not individuals. Fight wrong, it doesn't make any difference who is wrong, fight wrong. This is the duty of the Christian Church. As individual, Christians fight sin. The Bible says, if your brother or sister has aught against you, go to them in so doing, you are fighting as individual christians.

Second, I have finished my course. Stand your trials like a man, bear your own burden; finish with honor and get an honorable discharge.

Third; I have kept the faith. Faith in Jesus Christ will take us safe over. Faith looks forward and not backwards

Mr. Sam Watson is ill at his home 2015-20th Avenue, his many friends hope for him a speedy recovery.

KILLED, DEAD AND BURIED

Bad checks, given by presidents and members of the H. B. A., have killed your opportunity for issueing personal checks. Quite a few of our local presidents and members, in the last Boards, gave personal ckecks for Death Claims and Quarterly Dues. We ABSOLUTELY will not receive any more personal checks---

FROM NOW ON

If you insist in paying your claims in personal checks, we will only take them for collection. We will ABSOLUTELY refuse to give anybody a receipt for ANY PERSONAL CHECKS. "I aint talking to one, I aint talking to two, I am talking to the whole H. B. A. CREW."

"I done said it brethern." Got bad checks on hand now from the September Boards.

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SHUQUALAK, MISS

Bardwell School, Miss S. J. Smith, Principal

Dear Editor:-

Will you please allow space in the columns of the well edited Weekly Echo to let the readers know that our school had one of the best openings in the history of the School, on October 5th, 1931. The Rev. W. L. T. Howze of Macon, Miss., made a very, very timely lecture on "Co-operation." Rev. Mott McNeece spoke on the subject "Love," Obedience by the visitors and Co-operation, Duty and Improvement by the trustees and potrons. A nice dinner was spread. The teachers, preachers, visitors and trustees, patrons and students had a great time.

The whole week was well spent. Most of the second week was spent at the Noxubee County Colored Fair, where our teacher took away four prizes. Messrs J. H. Lockett, Walter Haynes, Adam Hill, Trustees and Miss S. J. Smith, Teacher, Bardwell School.

IVORY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Shuqualak, Miss.

About four and a half miles east of Shuqualak, a wonderful service was held on October 18th. Five young men were baptized while more than 300 people looked on. Among this number many of our white friends witnessed the ceremony. We had some of our good friends present from Meridian. The pastor preached a soul stirring sermon. A nice collection was lifted. The Lord's supper was served and I believe the holy ghost dined too.

Rev. Blair, Pastor
Miss S. J. Smith, Reporter

AGENT J. E. DURR'S REPORT

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me space through the columns of our well edited Weekly Echo to make a report

I visited lodge No. 190, with Mr. D. L. Harris as local president, whom I consider the "Jack Johnson of the state", located at Waynesboro, Miss. I found lodge No. 190 in a good condition. There were seventy-five members present and 135 members on the roll. President Harris is on the job and he sees to it that all members abide by the rules and regulations of the lodge.

I found lodge No. 202, on my first visit in bad, but things are looking brighter for this lodge. Mr. Alex Moody has been selected as local president, and, I think they are on the upward trend. On my second visit I added six new members, and, you will find enclosed application blanks and money for same

Lodge No. 254,, with Mr. Jas. Patrick as local president, located at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, has a small membership. I lectured and instructed the members pertaining to the law of the constitution and left them inspired to do a greater H. B. A. work. President Patrick is working to put the H. B. A. program over in Hattiesburg.

I found lodge No. 270, with Mr. A. J. Barnett as local president, in a splendid shape. President Barnett has 59 members on roll and they all are in good standing. President Barnett had a large gathering out to witness my visit. When I got through lecturing, the visitors, among some who were Afroes, saw the H. B. A. as never before. I wish to state that president Barnett's lodge is up to the standard. I added three new members to his lodge and you will find enclosed application blanks and money to cover same.

CRANDALL DOTS

Mr. and Mrs. Fowler and their two sons, Ingram and Smson Fowler, have returned to their home at Layman, Miss. after spending a week in Theadsville, Miss., visiting parents. Mr. Slay regreted that they had to leave so soon but the chickens and hogs seemed to smile.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church has just closed one of the best revivals in the history of the church, Sunday night November 1st, 1931.

On Friday night, October 30th, the members gave the pastor a pound reception, which was enjoyed by all. Each member expressed his and herself how they enjoyed the meeting.

It is reported that this was the best meeting ever conducted by the pastor, R. L. Young, and assisted by his father Rev. E. F. Young. One member was added to the church.

T. C. Miller, Reporter.

CHURCH NEWS

The following churches constitute the MeridianCircuit:
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Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church

9:30 Sunday School.

11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.

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Regular pastoral and communion day, second sunday in each month. Official board is Monday night after the second sunday in each month.

Lampton Chapel A. M. E. Church

The regular pastoral day the fourth Sunday in each month.

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E. L. WEEKS, Clerk,
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Sunday School 9:30 A. M.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church

The Welcome Corner

13th Avenue and 14th Street.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., R. W. Young, Supt.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor.

31st Avenue Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.

Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Calvary Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.

Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.

Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

Sunday School—9:30 A M.

Preaching—11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M.

A. C. E. League—6:30 P. M.

Rev. W. H. Murrell, D. D., Pastor

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Rev. A. L. Perkins, Pastor

DeKALB, MISS.

Dear Editor:-

Please give me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge 85 has lost a faithful member in the person of Mrs. Recheal Naylor. Sister Naylor was in good and regular standing with both local and general bodies. She leaves to mourn her passing three daughters and a host of relatives and friends. It is our earthly lost, but we are praying it is heaven's gain.

W. L. McDade, President.

Dear Editor:-

Please give me space through the columns of the well edited Weekly Echo to say a few words to my lodge which is located at DeKalb, Miss., with Mr.C. A. Neeley as local president. Don't forget to pray. If you put Jesus Christ away and forget to pray, the devil will slip into your meeting and cause confusion.

Willie Leo Cole, Reporter.

LAUGH AND FEEL BETTER

By R. L. Y.

Before marriage man yearns for woman— After marriage, the "Y" is omitted.

Love does not always want to find a way.

It is easier to deceive yourself than the other fellow.

The average man considers himself above the average.

You can tell a fellow that is going somewhere by the way he walks.

Ad in a Country Newspaper. Wanted; "A man who will wear out his shoes before he does the seat of his trousers"

MINISTER'S INSTRUCTIONS

After a minister had taught his class a lesson on the Prodigal Son; he thought that he would test the class out and find out who had paid attention to his teaching.

He aasked "Who was sorry that the Prodigal Son had returned"? A bright youngster in the class breathlessly answered, "The fatted Calf"

COULDN'T RAISE HER RENT

An old colored woman went into the office of a real Estate. She was soon recognized as a tenant of a small house. The agent remarked "Look here auntie, we are going to raise your rent this month" "A'm show is glad to hear dat, I jes come in here terday to tell you all I couldn't raise it this month.

WHAT HE GOT

In a certain state some years ago, a small boy was hoeing Potatoes in a farm on the roadside.

A man came by in a fine automobile and looked over the fence, he stopped and said.

"Bud, what you get for hoeing those potatoes"? "Nothin ef I do" said the boy, "And Hell ef I dont"

CHEERED HER UP

Young Wife—"Oh I am so miserable; my husband has been out all the evening, and I have'nt the faintest idea where he is"

Experienced friend—"My dear you must not worry. You would probably be twice as miserable if you did know."

NO DIFFERENCE

Father—"Why is it that you are always at the bottom of the class."

Johnnie—It does'nt make any difference, Daddy; they teach the same thing on both ends.

CANDID

An Alien wanted to be naturalized and was required to fill out a blank. The first three lines of the blank had the following questions.

"Name" "Born" and "Business"?
Name—Micheal Levinshy."
"Born—Yes"
"Business—Rotten"

Mr. Percy Tate who resides at 1217 13th, Street left Sunday for Monroe, La., where he will join the Monroe Troubadores for a six months job.

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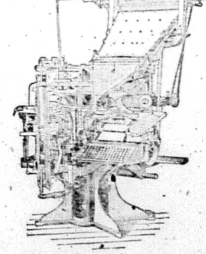

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ROYAL [illegible]

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Last year (as Freshmen) this class donated a collection of books to the College Library; at the annual Freshmen-Sophomore Debate, the reigning Queen of the Debate was chosen from this class. The popular college orchestra is led and directed by a member of this class. The Rust Concert Company, now travelling has two of the members of this class with it.

These are some of the types of work the class is doing, which shows its versatility of talent and that its deserved it nomenclature of "Royal."

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A—[illegible]
B—Be [illegible]
C—[illegible]
D—Do right in all things without fear.
E—Envy no man's riches.
F—Fret not of evil doers.
G—Give liberally to the suffering and the poor.
H—Hold fast your integrity.
I—Infringe not on a man's rights.
J—Judge not others seriously.
K—Keep away from evil company.
L—Lend to those whom you do not expect pay.
M—Make no display of your charities.
N—Never profess that you do not practice.
O—Occupy your time in usefulness.
P—Prove yourself a good citizen.
Q—Quarrel not with your associates.
R—Remember that you are depending [illegible]

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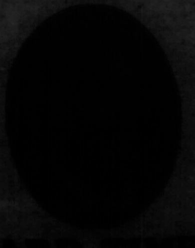

Dear Presidents:- I am continueing my appeal to you for a strong contimation of the H. B. A. drive. We want you to do your best to help us add 500 members by January 1st. We want 400 of this number to be reported in the next Boards. We are proud to tell you that we have added 331 new members in the past 65 days. This is an average of about five members daily. Will you stand by us and help us to go over the top?

HARD TIMES

Some people talk about hard times, but hard times is an unknown term with us as H. B. A.s. Give us the best in your community. See to it that the H. B. A. flag does not trail in the dust.

IT CAN BE DONE

If you want a thing done and done right, just call the Local Presidents and members of the H. B. A. We can do it, for we have [illegible]

Leaders Protest Discriminatory Laws And Win Appeal

Washington, Oct. 28, (CNS)—The Supreme Court of the United States last Monday granted the petition of L. N. Nixon, petitioner in the Texas Democratic Primary case, for a writ of certiorari to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. At the same time the petition of C. N. Love, Julius White and others as amici curiae to particpate in the oral argument of the case was denied.

Gives Negro Democrats Hope

The admission of the highest judicial tribune in the land that a Federed in this case has given much hope to the Negro Democrats of Texas that they will win their long contested fight for the right to particpate in Democratic Primaries. The case has significance not only for citizens of Texas, but for citizens of other Southern States as well, where discriminatory legislation exists precluding otherwise qualified Negroes from voting in Democratic Primaries. Over two-thirds of the six and one half potential Negro voters in the United States will be affected by the final decision of the case which has finally gotten into the Supreme Court. The refusal of the Court to hear the supplementary argument of the lawyers for C. N. Love and others, will create no great loss, it has been pointed out. The lawyers for this petitioner will able to aid the original petition of Nixon to almost as full an extent as if they were actual parties to the suit.

The suit, which has created such a nationwide interest, is one brought by Dr. L. A. Nixon of El Paso, Texas against James Condon and C. H. Kolle, primary election judges, for damages he claimed he sustained when these two white Democrats refused him the right to vote in a local Democratic Primary. The case was hit upon by his lawyers, Knollenberg and Cameron, as the only means of testing the constitutionality of the revised Texas Primary Statute which allowed election officials to bar a prospective primary voter on the sole ground of color Other suits brought to test this law, it was shown,failed because they sought to force the court to order the officials to allow an individual to vote and by the time they came to be passed on by a higher court the time for voting had passed and the case had become moot.

N. A. A. C. P. Lawyers
To Aid In Oral Argument

Knollenberg and Cameron, lawyers for Dr. Nixon, were joined in their petition for writ of certionarl by Attorneys James Marshall, Arthur Spingarn and Nathan Margold, retained by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. This group of lawyers will participate in the oral argument of the case before the United States Circuit Court of Appeals. Should the case be decided adversely in this court, it will then be carried directly for review to the full bench of the United States Supreme Court.

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White Democrats Worried

That white Tex. Democrats are plainly worried by the action of the Supreme Court in recognizing their jurisdiction, in this case, was evidenced when it was learned here that the Attorney-General of State would participate in the arguments in defense of Condon and Kolle.

HARLEM HAS ITS CHIN UP, SAYS McINTYRE

New York, Oct 30, (CNS)—"Harlem Keeps Its Chin Up" was the subject of a recent article by O. O. McIntyre,famous N. Y. journalist, in which he comments on the fact that despite the depression the Negro resident of Harlem is still able to smile in the face of adversity.

"The overpeopled strip of Harlem known as the "Black Belt," wrote Mr. McIntyre, "accepts its economic sadness with commendatony calm. One cannot walk through Lenox avenue without a pricking qualm that the army of colored jobless are doing less whining than most of us."

The writer comments on the philosophical manner in which the Negro greets with music, song and religion the troubles which snare his path. "All of which emphasizes," he says "the difficulty of the American Negro to proselythizing by radicals. In many ways he has been hardest hit by the pandemonium, which has swept the world. Hundreds in Harlem have not had a days work in two years."

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PUMPKIN PIE

One pint pumpkin, 1 cupful sugar, ½ teaspoonful salt, 1¼ teaspoonfuls cinnamon, speck of allspice and nutmeg, ½ teaspoonful ginger, 4 egg yolks (or 2 eggs,) and ½ cupful evaporated milk. Mix dry ingredients, add pumpkin, beaten, egg yolks, then milk. Pour into pie tin lined with pie paste, and bake 30 minutes at 450' F., then 30 minutes at 325' F.

HEREDITY

The woman, who had a turned up nose and was somewhat self-conscious concerning it, bought a new pug dog, and, petted it so fondly as to excite the jelousy of her little daughter:
"How do you like your little brother?" She asked the child teasingly. The girl replied, rather maliciously, perhaps:
"He looks just like you mother."

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BADLY MISTAKEN

A passing lady mistakenly supposed that a woman shouting from a window down the street was calling to the little girl. Minding baby brother close by on the curb.

Your mother is calling you, she kindly said.

The little girl corrected the lady.

Her aint a-calling we, us don't belong to she.

HURRYING SOME

A little boy dashed wildly around the corner, and, collided with the benevolent old gentleman, who inquired the cause of such haste.

I gotta get home fer mow to spank me, the boy panted Bless my soul! Exclaimed the old gentlemen. I can't understand you being in such a hurry to be spanked.

I aint, but if I don't git there before paw, he'll gimme a lickin.

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POPLARVILLE, MISS.

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Rev. W. C. McDuffie, Pastor
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ROYAL SOPHOMORES ORGANIZE AT RUST COLLEGE

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Miss Vera Middleton and Mrs. Nancy Williams of Louisville, Miss., spent Monday in Meridian visiting friends and relatives. They report a very pleasant stay.

Mrs. Ella McLendon of 914 42nd Ave. left Monday for Laurel, Miss., to attend the funeral of her aunt, Miss Elnora Daniel. Mrs McLendon was accompanied by her son, and daughter, Ward and Ruby McLendon.

Miss Lenora Young, who under-went a throat operation two weeks ago was able to reurn to her work Wednesday. We hope that she will continue to improve.

J. H., Reporter.

APHABETICAL RULES
(By G. H. Slay.)

A—Attend well to your own business
B—Be Punctual in all engagements.
C—Consider well before making all engagements.
D—Do right in all things without fear
E—Envy no man's strife.
F—Fret not of evil doers.
G—Give liberally to the suffering and the poor.
H—Hold fast your integrity.
I—Infringe not on a man's rights.
J—Judge not others seriously.
K—Keep away from evil company.
L—Lend to those whom you do not expect pay.
M—Make no display of your charities.
N—Never profess that you do not practice.
O—Occupy your time in usefulness.
P—Prove yourself a good citizen.
Q—Quarrel not with your associates.
R—Remember that you are depending on providence.
S—Strive to promote the happiness of others.
T—Treat everyone with courtesy.
U—Use the things of this world with consideration.
V—Verify all good and true statements.
W—Watch ever against temptations.
X—Examine your own character.
Y—Yeild not to the persuasions of life
Z—Zealious pursues the path of duty. Etc.
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A Bugle Call By The General President

Dear Presidents:- I am continueing my appeal to you for a strong continuation of the H. B. A. drive. We want you to do your best to help us add 500 members by January 1st. We want 400 of this number to be reported in the next Boards. We are proud to tell you that we have added 331 new members in the past 65 days. This is an average of about five members daily. Will you stand by us and help us to go over the top?

HARD TIMES

Some people talk about hard times, but hard times is an unknown term with us as H. B. A.s. Give us the best in your community. See to it that the H. B. A. flag does not trail in the dust.

IT CAN BE DONE

If you want a thing done and done right, just call the Loyal Presidents and members of the H. B. A. We can do it, for we have done it. Come on and give us 69 members by the Board. Then give us another hundred in December. I am depending upon you. Yours for the success of the Order. REV. E. F. YOUNG, General President.

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OLD MEN VS YOUNG GIRLS AT PARK

Ecumenical Conference In 'Farce play'

Ecumenical Conference In 'Farce Play' On Human Rights

BY J. A. MARTIN

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The ecumenical conference in many respects was a success. The high notes struck in things evangelistic, a closer relationship of world Methodism and the glittering generalities with regards to world brotherhood and peace were among the addresses and papers featuring this conference. Again it was held in the very heart of the South and the delegates were of all races from the different nations of the world.

Atlanta made good in the matter of seeing to it that no discrimination was allowed as to delegates. Although some few ushers attempted sly discrimination in so far as visitors were concerned, the heads of the conference were not in any way responsible for it. The example of blacks and white mixing freely in a world meeting of Methodists showed the folly of all segregation of races in churches railway trains and indeed all public places. The white and black South left with a better taste in their mouths, and certainly our white friends are slowly learning the curse of attempting to keep up the practice of caste wherein the weaker people are made "untouchables" in a civilization where all should be free.

While the above matters constitute the pleasing features of the world meeting, the ecumenical conference failed in one big essential—to go on record very specifically condemning segregation on railway trains in America and full freedom for the darker races of the world. Even though there were many speeches urging "world brotherhood" and condemnation of white arrogance," etc., Group IV. which had for its study "Wider Human Relationship," refused specifying any of the laws and customs that prevent the darker races enjoying full freedom, although this group saw fit to urge the enforcement of the 15th amendment of the Constitution of the United States. When the committee on findings made its report many were startled that the urge for "wider human relationship" in a practical way was omitted entirely.

Immediately we introduced the following resolution and asked that it become a part of the committee's report.

The Resolution

May not the great nation constituting world Methodism seek in a very definite way to enter the realm of what might be called practical statemanship, such as that of the American people in the matter of prohibition, and offer a solution of the following problems: Full freedom of the East Indians, the South African, the American Negro, Haitians and the Filipino, and indeed all of the darker races of the world?

While we realize that there must be a full separation of church and state, may not the churches at least set themselves very methodically to the task of cataloguing the specific barriers betweenraces, wherein the darker races are made victims of race prejudice, and in pointing out these specific injustices, make war upon them to the end of extermination?

We have plenty of glittering generalities that abound in sympathy. This we fully appreciate, but too often sympathetic generalities filled with declarations of good will die in the meetings, and we return to our respective nations and races to face practically the same problems and become the victims of caste. For example, segregation in America upon railway trains; the grievances of the East Indians that can be better named by the English and the East Indians themselves; the full freedom of South Africa from grave injustices practiced upon them by money powers; the prevention of the exercise of national independence in the case of Haiti, are all question that should be brought before the church and studied concertedly with the type of education that will inform our ministers upon these injustices.

It is herein recommended that a committee be appointed whose duty it shall be to catalogue these grave injustices to the end that we may practically set ourselves to the task of wiping them out. In this connection we have no more striking example that best illustrates the present situation in church and national affairs, one preaching brotherhood and the other freedom, than the example of the Priest who preached. "Love God and Neighbor," and passed by a bleeding man on the other side of the road. It was the Samaritan who fulfilled the commandment, as we know, putting blood and life into the symbols and the word became "flesh" and dwelt among men.

The resolution was ruled out of order by Dr. Robert Bond, chairman, Wesleyan Methodist, London. It was ruled out on the ground: "The group has not had under discussion any spicific evils respecting race." Hereupon he was disputed by Bishop Smith of the M. E. Church and Dr. J. W. Eichelberger, African Methodist Zion church, Chicago.

The chair was sustained despite the fact that references had been made to the enforcement of the 18th amendment,, which of course was a designated evil, and certainly had less claim in a group entitled "Wider Human Relationship." One deals with things (18th amendment) as affecting all people, while the group subject includes the dealing of people with people, and must discuss the evils that keep people apart, or prevent some people enjoying a freedom that is their birthright. The 14th and 15th amendments deal directly with people and propose "Wider Human Relationships" for all Americans. Here the conference refused to touch thevery thing that it assigied the committee to study—folks or human beings. Great Britain's delegates were shy and indulged our people for the reason of its East Indian problem and our people indulged the Britains because of the American Negroes. There was a majority made up of the two strong nations.

Fighting Minority

Although the majority defeated this resolution, the minority was not to be discouraged. Immediately Dr. J. W. Eichelberger introduced the following resolution:

Inasmush as the chair has been sustained in his ruling that specific evils be barred from the report from the committee on findings, in order that we may be regular and comply very fully with this ruling be it resolved: That any and all references urging the enforcement of the 18th amendment be expunged from the record.

A great fight ensued and upon a test vote the resolution was defeated by only seven votes. It must be said that several of the southern as well as the nothern whites voted for this resolution asking that all references regarding the enforcement of the 18th amendment be expunged from the record.

The resolution that was ruled out of order, as is clearly seen, meant that a committee be appointed to study, gather facts, write down all outstanding evils that foolishly keep some races from enjoying their Godgiven freedom, and to send ont literature to the churches throughout the world, and that the ministers of the churches preach against these specific evels and injustices. The minority did not get the resolution through, but this minority will keep up such fight.

Peace a Negative Virtue

While the ecumenical conference preached loudest about "Peace and Disarmament," some of the leaders seem to forget that "peace" is a negative element of virtue and the result of good behavior upon the part of individuals, or properly administered justice by the nations of the world. If our nation would have peace let it remove the "Jim Crow" of her twelve millions. These twelve millions will continue their wail as long as they remain in chains. If Great Britain would have it in East India, and the other powers in Africa, let them remove racial barriers and acknowledge full manhood rights. This done, "peace" follows. Men cannot "will peace" any more than they can "will sleep." Sleep follows regular habits and hard work. Peace follows regularly kept laws and zeal for justice

Yes, the ecumenical conference, great in opportunity and pleasing in some gestures, failed in one great essential: While asking for "brotherhood and peace" refused to ask the removal of specific barries that prevent brotherhood and thereby disturb "peace."

—Exchange

Editor Echo:-

On behalf of the Seminary and its faculty, I take this method of thanking you for the whole hearted cooperation given us in pulling off the Pageant, "Promise Land." The phenominal success of the undertaking was due to the whole hearted publicity given through the columns of the Echo. We are not surprised when we remember who the editor is, for Roy Young can always be found on the firing lines when the interests of his people are at stake. So we want the public to know how we appreciate what you have done for us.

Prof. G. M. Reese and faculty
Meridian, Baptist Seminary

VISITS MACON LODGE NO. 299

Rev. E. F. Young, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Baity and family, motored to Macon, Miss., Wednesday November 4th in the afternoon. The object of the trip was to visit lodge No. 299 the president delivered a wonderful address. There were other addresses of interest delivered also. Rev. Young was greeted by a large attendance at which time four new members became a part of the order. Rev. Young was the supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cavetta and expressed himself as having enjoyed a very delicious supper.

Mr. and Mrs.W. C.Baity visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Spooner and were well pleased with seeing the church again and the splendid progress made. They have recently purchased a new piano and seats.

In accord with an invitation tendered Rev. Young by Mr. Davis, he will return to Macon the third Sunday.

All expressed themselves as having enjoyed a pleasant trip.

Dr. Robert B. M. Wilson of Washington, D. C., recovered judgement last Friday against Ralph R. Bradley, wealthy lawyer and clubman, for $25,947.50 before judge A. W. Summers of the city court of Eldorado, Ill.,now sitting in the circuit court of Cook county.

Dr. Wilson, a dentist and prominent in civic and social affairs in the capiial, was struck by an automobile owned by Mr. Bradley on March 9, 1929,in Washington. Dr. Wilson was walking across the street when Mr. Bradley's automobile, driven by a chauffeur onthe wrong side of the street at a speed of about 60 miles an hour, struck him, dragging him for some distance and breaking his leg and spinel He was ina hospital and confined to his home for several months and claims a permanent loss of income because of his inability to work steadily since the accident.

Largest Awaard

This judgement is one of the largest ever awarded a member of the Race in Chicago for injuries.

Dr. Wilson brought suit against Mr. Bradley in Washington and Chicago,but did not obtain service on his until he hired AttorneyK. M. Burroughs in September of this year. Mr. Burroghs had Bradley served with a summons, and when he failed to appear in court provped up his case before Judge Summers.

ENTERTAINMENT

Miss Emma B. Ivy entertained Mrs. M. P. Strayhorn, Queen of the Pink Roses, and her attendants with a lovely luncheon, Friday night, November 6th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Beale 1516-19th Street.

Whist, piano music, dancing and educational games were enjoyed. Mrs. Effie Jean Shaw of Los Angeles, California, was the guest of honor. After the luncheon, Mrs. Laura Harris presented Mrs. Minnie P. Strayhorn with a lovely string of crystals. This gift was from Miss Ivy, for the Queen raising the highest amount of money.

Those participating in the affair were Mesdames M. P. Strayhorn, Laura Harris, Hannah Beasley, M. A. Block, W. C. Baity, Ruby Green, Cora Billups, Ophelia Harris, Annie Roberts, Annie L. Northern; Misses Naomi Crawford, Ozell Jones, Cleo Simmons; Mr. J. B. Pettus and little Ethel Mae Bishop and Marie Fikes.

We were very sorry to receive excuses from Mesdames J. M. Johnson, Birdie Lewis, Ruby Davis and Edna Burwell.

Everyone enjoyed this affair and we wish to say, thank you again to Miss Ivy.

Mrs. M. P. Strayhorn, Reporter.

M. B. S. ALUMNI

The Central Group of the Seminary Alumni Association enjoyed a delightful after-noon, Wednesday, November 10th, at the home of Miss H. Q. and Mr. Albert Needham. This group is moving along nicely.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Elenora Williams, 14th Street and 31st Avenue, on Tuesday evening November 17th. All groups are reminded of the mass meeting, which will be at the Seminary Auditorium, Sunday evening, November 15th, at 3:00 p. m. Let all of us be present and bring our quoto.

The following is the program for the mass meeting on the 15th; Song Negro National Anthem, Scripture, Spiritual. Two minutes mediation followed by Invocation, Spiritual. Aims and purposes of Alumni Association. Solo Miss Annie Lou Mosley, Reading Mrs. Lucile Barren Kimbal, Solo Miss Claudel Williams, Address Prof. G. M. Reese, Solo Mr. G. A. Sherrod.

The Beneficiality of an Alumni Association, Miss Dora Sands, Instrumental Solo Miss Lorena Sherrod, Reports and Adjournment.

Wm. Crockett '26, President
Alumni Association.

CALVARY BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIAL CIRCLES

Circle of Truth, Mrs. Lillie Cross, Leader Collection $2.63. Circle of Hope Mrs. Mamie Jones No. 1 Leader, Collection $148, Circle of Faith, Mrs. Annie Hall, Leader Collection $1.15, Circle of Love, Mrs. E. L. Same, Leader Collection $2.45, Total for the Circles $8.46

Mesdames Geo. Harris, Pres. M. E. Bradley, Sec'y; M. E. Jenkins, Asst. Sec'y, A. M. Davis, Cor. Sec'y, Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

MISSISSIPPI MOBS NEGRO

A few days ago, a blood thirsty mob in Lowndes County, Mississippi, put another black star in its crown for the observation of coming generations. The question can be readily asked, why should white men of Mississippi who are the judges, the jurors, the lawyers, the sheriffs, the policemen, the mayors, and everything else when it comes to authority, low the dignity of the principles for which our state should stand to the extent that a poor helples Negro should be mobbed, lynched and hanged, which so often happens in our state. Another question to be asked is this: are mobs made up of brave men or cowards? Would a brave man allow himself to be found with a mob?

The white man has the law in his hand and he can do whatsoever he wills and there is nobody to question what he doeth. Will not God hold the white man accountable for his stewardship here? Mobs are not justifible under any condition, if so, why should we have law and order. There is a law by which men should be punished for their crimes. A white man who will mob and lynch Negroes will mob and lynch white folks. I believe the white man should look at this matter with more seriousness, for this same disease is going to spread. If a white man gets made enough, he will lynch a member of his own race just as he will a Negro. Now we must look to the white man to stop lynching. In other words, he started it, and it is his job to stop it. Bad and mean white folks make bad and mean Negroes. Our communities cannot be made better with men and women who are not law abiding citizens and the white man should realize that whatever he does, there are some Negroes somewhere who are going to attempt to do the same thing somewhere and at sometime. Years ago, people use to tell me about how Negroes were killed and beat up in certain sections of Mississippi on farms and plantations by white men. Do you know it is not unusual to pick up a paper and read of accounts where a Negro on some farm or plantation has shot or killed a farmowner or a plantation overseerer. There was a time when the Negro would not kill the plantation overseer, but he will do it now because he has received his training from the white man.

I am of the opinion that if the mob that lynched the Negro the other day had been composed of Negroes, and, had they been going to mob a white man, the officers in charge would have shot down quite a few members of the mob, but as it is in some sections of the state, the officers who have prisoners in sharge seem not to resist mobs whatever. It appears as if they willingly turn the prisoner over to the mob. A white woman in Tennessee a few months ago dispersed a mob without firing a gun; the white men can do the same thing if they want to. A Negro infant by the side of a white infant has no prejudice against the white infant, neither has the white infant any prejudice against the Negro infant. Whatever prejudice exsists in any human being, exsists because that individual has been taught to hate. Prejudice is not born in a person.

It is a serious proposition when one thinks of the fact that squirrels, ducks, turkeys, doves etc., are protected by the laws of Mississippi and when one kills them out of season he will be prosecuted by law, but the poor Negro has no season.

PRAYER

First of all, I want to ask my people to pray to Him who never sleeps, to help us change conditions. Let us always keep a cool head and a warm heart. Pray that He may use the good white folks to His advatage. Pray that they may have courage to openly fight the wrong. We cannot get anywhere by fighting. "He who fights with a sword shall die by the sword." Be not deceived God is not mock, for whatsoever a man soweth that! shall he also reap."

Old Men vs Young Girls Base Ball Game Benefit Boy Scouts At Traction Park

The Base Ball game played between the old men and the young girls at Traction Park, Wednesday ,Armistice day, was an interesting feature. When the game first opened up, it appearedas if the young ladies would put the old men out of business. It took the old men sometime to ge their limbs warmed up, but when they did get limber they "walked about."

The players among the ladies were: Misses Wadie Young, Catcher; Lillian Evans, Pitcher; Beatrice Hardy, First Base-man; Pauline Bland, Right Fielder; Eunice Jones, Second Baseman; Margurite Deloach, Third Baseman, Lela Nash, Left Fielder; Florence Fikes, Back Stop; Annie Lee Crawford, Center Fielder.

The old men tried knocking the ball high in the air, but when the ball would come down, it was just like falling in a tar barrell; it would stick. The ladies led off scoring ahead of the old men. After one or two endings, the old men got warm and limbered up, then they started to moving. The players for the old men were: Dr. L. F. Brooks, Pitcher; Rev. M. T. J. Howard, Short-Stop; Lester Floyd, Third Baseman, Rev. R. L. Young, Catcher; J. S. Beal, First Base-man; Jim Fitts, Second Base-man and Prof. T. J. Harris, first one place and then the other; Dudly Dancy substituted on First Base for Mr. J. S. Beal. Dr. Brooks figured conspiciously in knocking home runs. He parked two or three balls. Rev. M. T. J. Howard is a hard hitter. Several times the balls were laid up against the fence, but somehow or other, his stomach would keep him from getting more than a one base hit.

Mr. J. S. Beal was good on two "Baggers." Old man Lesle Floyd delighted in getting off the base, in order that the laldies might chase him and evry time, they would put him out. He seemed to have felt good to know that the ladies had the ball in their hands and would hit him.

Squabbles arose on the diamond two or three times between the old men and the young ladies, but old men "Like," they would all ways give away to the ladies.

Dr. W. B. Block was umpiring the game for a while, but it was soon found out that he was going to give the ladies everything and defeat the old men, so he was replaced by Mr. Ed Fitts. Umpire Fitts said "that the ladies had to play for what they got," and, they did, for a while, but it was not long before Fitts was falling for the ladies too. Rev. R. Young was an expert on running the bases, but when he made it around, he had to sit down and blow. Rev. Young was rubbing his knees while Rev. Howard was rubbing his stomach. The Score was 8 for the ladies and 19 for the old men. This game was played for thebenefit of the Colored Boy Scouts.

Th Luxis Club of the Wechsler High School stages its Annual Turkey-Day Dance Wednesday night November 25, 1931. All Dance Lovers will be there

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EDITORIAL

FAMILY NAME

A few days ago I was talking with a friend of mine, and, this friend was emphazing the importance of a good family name, that is, the reputation, the general standing and the general characteristics of families. In our discussion, it was brought out clearly that each individual should do his or her best to have a good name; a good name is rather chosen than many riches. All individuals should strive to do nothing that would cause a dark spot to blot a good name. It is true that all of us make mistakes in life for none is perfect.

A good name will carry one a long way. A young man came to my home a few days ago, who desired a favor of me. Before telling me who he was he began telling me who his people were. His people had a good name. The family name is well respected among thinking people, both white and colored. Sometimes, we are glad to inform strangers as to who our people are and sometimes, we do not want strangers to know to what family we belong. I have known people to make mistakes in life and while traveling, they would change their name for the simple reason, the mistake did not reflect credit on the family name. Let us protect our good name as best we can. I am always proud to deal with any man or woman, boy or girl whose family has a good name.

A good family record does not mean, however, that you will not be criticized and talked about by some people. Some of us are naturally made up wrong, we have a gift, we have a longing to tear down and destroy. Some people are destructive in all of their thoughts and actions. Some people do not wait to find out what kind of a man or woman you may be, but all they want is to hear someone criticize you and they will carry the news wherever they go, that you are a bad character. There are some people whom we do not like. We do not want to have anything to do with them. We criticize them and we abuse them: Not that these people have done anything to us, but we go on what we heard somebody say. "Old Brother, I heard, and old Sister, they tell me", have got something going, on some good innocent man or woman,girl or boy all the time. I would that we as a race would learn not to hate, not to abuse, not to scorn, not to say mean things about anyone, just because our friends don't like some people. Before you criticize, talk about and run down a man or woman's character, know from self-experience that this is a bad person. Know from self-experience that you have been mistreated by this individual. Know from self-experience that he or she has taken the advantage of you. Know from self-experience that he has taken from you the things that belong to you and not to him.

"He that stealth my purse stealth trash,
Tis something, this nothing,
But he who filches from me my good name,
Robs me of that which not enrichens him,
But maketh me poor indeed."

Mrs. Ida Bolton

In our moral lives we need to consider the upper side of conduct. Our bodies will either rule or serve our minds. The body can be made to obey the mind. Sin is the process of letting the bodily desire conquer.

Not long ago a friend found himself in company with some vile mouth men Finally he asked, "Did you fellows all have mothers? One young man bustled up and said, "Yes, and my mother is a lady."

My friend replied: I asked because of the way you were discussing other women. After a minute one of the group said, "Stranger, I don't know who you are, but you are right." The tone of the conversation was soon changed.

LOVE OF ANGERISE

(By Miss Sarah Mercer)

Continued from last week

Angerise my dear, Wallace does't understand life at all. He thinks it is a toy to play with, just to play and keep playing, and, will never take anything serious said Mrs. McCiel to Alice, but what has it to do with our friendship,, Wallace thinks that we should live while we are living. Beside, he works and sometime works over time two nights in a week Angerise doesn't seem to understand her mother, because of Wallace's playfulness was why he won Angerise's heart. Yes daughter, that is true, but there are other things I will tell you. Did Wallace tell you anything about hisself or his family? Did he not tell you that his father was a drunkard, and that his grandfather died in jail for some kind of dirty crime? By the way, Angerise do you love Wallace? (Angerise was in a deep study all the time Mrs. McCiel was talking) Well mother whats the use? Haven't you tried to kill my love for him? You even insulted him! Yes, I love him, and always will I don't care what his father or grandfather did. Wallace doesn't even drink and I don't think he would do a dirty crime. You don't understand my love for Wallace.

Every morning and evening I think of him. Everything I look at reminds me of him, and, when he is not here I am watching, waiting and counting every minute until he gets here. Just to think I could not see him, my whole being is yearning for him. Do I love him, and how? Mrs. McCiel sat looking sadly at Angerise, just to think her little baby had grown to be a young woman, and had fallen in love; it made her heart stop beating for a moment. But Angerise kept on talking "Did you love daddy mother once as I do Wallace?" If you did, you understand my love for Wallace," said Angerise. Some how she had gained a little courage thinking that maybe her mother would allow Wallace to see her. "Yes, my child" said Mrs. McCiel, "I loved your father, but with a love stronger than you think you love this boy Wallace." Your father was a genius and there will never be another like him. No use to keep on talking I want give in, Wallace will never be accepted as a son-in-law in my sight. Angerise getting up closing the door behind her said" If Wallace and I can't live together, I don't want to live at all. I love him and cannot live without him. I never will be happy unless I am with him, unless you consent I'll end it all." Mrs. McCiel could not hear nothing more for Angerise had locked the door. She called the maids, but they all had gone with the exception of one. "Come Mary" she called "Get Wallace, the young man down stairs, tell him to hurry, before it will be too late! The maid did not understand Mrs. McCiel so they all rushed at Wallace saying catch him! Catch him! It frightened him so much, he ran away leaving his hat, cane and coat. He thought that the servant and neighbor wanted to do him harm; but they only wanted him to help to save Angerise.

(Did the servant, neighbors and Mrs. McCiel save Angerise's life? This will be found in the next issue.)

(To be continued.)

Bible Class

Mrs.Gideon Beck was hostess to the Abdmelch and Debbora Classes of the St. John Baptist Sunday Sshool, Wednesday night, November 4th Only a faithful few were present, yet, the meeting was interesting as usual. The following program was rendered:

Song	Draw me nearer
Scripture	
Reading	Miss Lillian Brown
Prayer	Rev. D. J. Jones
Song	In the Garden

The lesson for Sunday "Paul in Ephesus" was taaught by Instructor D. J. Jones. Song Jesus is all world to me THE GOSPEL FACING ERROR was discussed by Miss Annie Cochran Mr. Leon Key was introduced to the class and asked to come again. Miss Lillian Brown gave thanks to the hostess and in return received a hearty welcome. The following members answered the roll call: Mesdames Eva Mosley, Lucille Graham, Ernestine C. Beck, Walter Mae Terrell, Misses Annie Cochran, Parthenia Eades, Lillian Brown and Rev. D. J. Jones. After which little Katherine B. Terrell assisted the hostess in serving a delicious plate lunch. The meeting adjourned to meet Tuesday night, November 10th at the home of Miss Parthenia Eades, 1626-20th Avenue. Mrs. Walter Mae Terrell, president and reporter, Miss Lillian Brown, Secretary.

Black Cats Trounce Hattiesburg's Tigers 34---0

CATS WIN OVER TIGERS PUT THEM IN LINE TO RETAIN CHAMPIONSHIP

The Eureka Tigers of Hattiesburg invaded Meridian, Friday November 6th only to be turned back by the Wechsler Black Cats, to the tune of 34. to 0. The Cats clawed their way to victory over the Tigers to put them out of the race for the championship of Mississippi and East Alabama. The Cats have only to defeat Sumpter County Training School of Livington, Alabama to be crowned Champs for the second consecutive year. This victory over the Tigers is one of the most impressive games ever played by the Cats.

Jenkins substituted for Ed. Mitchell. Stellar fullback for Wechsler. Who was hurt on the kick-off, tore great gaps in the Tigers' line for gains of ten to twenty-five yards. Whitfield, Hobson, W. L. Jones plunged through the line swept around ends and o. tackles for gains that were turned into touchdowns at will. Burwell Burnett ends snag long passes from Jones for touchdowns.

The Cats made Twenty-First Downs for a gain of 200 yards, while the Tigers made three for 30 yards. They completed three out of nine passes while the Tigers completed one out of twelve Flowers, Blanks, Varnardo,and Adams, Tigers were the outstanding players for the visitors. The Cats scored touchdown in every quarter of the game.

LINEUP

Hattiesburg		Wechsler
Flowers	L E	Burwel.
Blanks	L T	A. Jones
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Hardy	C	Fagen
J. Walker	RG	Davis
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E. McGhee	R E	Burnnett
A. McGhee	L H	Whitfield
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Lewis	F B	Mitchell
Varanodo(Capt)	Q B	W. L. Jones(Capt)
Subs		Subs
Dowell for M. Walker		Jenkins for Mitchell
Howard for A McGhee		Howard for W.L. Jones
A. McGhee for Dowell		F. Barnett for Beal
		J. Barnett for Davis
		Hayse for Davis
		City for A. Jones

SCORING POINTS

Touchdowns Jones 1, Whitfield 1, Hobson 1, Jenkins 1, Burwell 1, Extra points—Jones 3, (Placement) Jenkins 1, line buck.

OFFICIALS

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SHUBUTA

Junior High School

Monday, November 2nd was the beginning of a week of earnest and untiring efforts on the part of faculty and students for the improvement in religious education.

Devotion was conducted by the principal. Each day devotion was conducted by the following:

1st day the Junior High Department 9th grade leading. Ssripture reading by W. D. Falconer, prayer by Emelena Smith, Bertha Brown at the piano Wednesday morniing 8th grade. Scripture reading by James Hough, prayer by Clara Cook. Pearlie Mae Falconer and Edna E. Harris at the piano.

Thursday morning 7th grade. Scripture reading by Mary A. McGowan. Prayer by Mattie Lee Mills. Drucy Daugherty at the piano.

Friday moring the Faculty. Scripture reading by the principal. Prayer by Mrs. Helen Adams. Solo, "Rainbow on the clouds" by Mrs. Lillie D. Falconer. Mrs. Carrie L. Cole at the piano.

We find it necessary for the members of the school to take charge of devotion from time to time, for so often they are called on in public for some religious service.

S. Adams, Principal
E. L. Smith, Reporter

HUMAN POTATO

Mr. Arthur Caver of Davis Street and 30th Avenue, brought a sweet potato of the yam variety to the office. Saturday morniing, November 7th The potato had every resembalance of a man. Had legs, feet, nose, stomach and head with a little hat on.

We have never seen a form of a human being in a sweet potato such as this before. Quite a few persons offered to buy this potato from Mr. Caver, but he refused to sell it for money. It was grown here in the city Mr. Caver stated that he was going back to dig again for the mate.

DISCREET

Old Maid: "Has the canary bird had its bath?"

Servant: "Yes he has, mum. You can come in now."

STORK VISITS

Mr. Cleo McClendon, who is now in Cincinnati will be proud to know that a recent visit of the stork left an eight pound baby boy, whom they call Junior.

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William Scott	42
Theodore Wilson	12
James Wilson	10
Wilburn Meadows	15
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Ed F. Walker	9
James Ruffin	10
Kinney Beck	10
Horold Gibbs	20
Floyd Phillis	12
Horold Gibbs	20

200,000 Will Get Jobs Handling Christmas Mail

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 6.—More than two hundred thousand of the unemployed, many of them members of the Race, will find jobs in the United States postoffice department when the Christmas rush season begins about Dec. 13, it was announced this week by Postmaster General Brown. The pay for these jobs as temporary carriers, clerks and laborers will be 65 cents an hour for a 10-hour day

Postmasters throughout the country have been instructed, the department said, to employ as far as possible men and women with families to support and who are now out of work. Instructions have also been issued to postmasters to co-operate with federal and local relief agencies in the selection of the temporary employees. Close scrutiny is to be given applications in order to verify the applicant's statements as to his need of employment.

The Chicago postoffice has been allotted $190,400 for hiring extra clerks and $92,212 for extra carriers, the department stated. This is the largest allotment to any individual city, the New York postoffice being given $178,700 for clerks and $94,000 for carriers.
Exchange

Jail Pastor Who Exhorts on Honesty

Boston, Mass., Nov. 6.—After delivering a sermon on "Honesty, Decency and Veracity" at the Holy Christian church on Shawmut Ave. Wednesday evening, Rev. Nicodemus Pacifacia, a Fillipino, was arrested by Special Officer Harvey B. Yates of the E. Dedham St. station, charged with the larceny of $230 worth of clothing belonging to Charles Walker of Arnold St. and Judson Davis of Hammond St. The expounder of the gospel on honesty pleaded guilty when arraigned before Judge Carr and the case was continued for one week.

Walker and Davis, the complainants were walking on Shawmut Ave., when they recognized the voice of the preacher ,who was tell ing the congregation to be honest, decent and truthful. They got into a taxicab and rushed to the police station, where they told the story to Special Officer Yates, who went to the Church and arrested the minister after he was through his sermon and the plate was passed to the faithful sisters.

Officer Smith told the court the defendant was not an ordained minister. Uacifacia is said to have met walker and Davis in Roury last July and told them he was a student in Hartford and Supervisor of a hospital there and that he would get them positions at the hospital paying $90 a month.

COLUMBIA, MISS.

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me space in the Echo to let the Order know that lodge No. 303 lost one of it's faithful members in the person of Mrs. Minnie Neal. Sister Neal died November 5th and, was buried the 6th in one of our H. B. A. caskets, which was the delight of all the members and friends. Mrs. Neal was a faithful member from the day she joined until death. We regret very much to loose her. She will be missing in her lodge and church, but we are praying that our loss will be heaven's gain.

D. M. Marshall, Pres.

The following claims will be paid off in the December Boards:-

1—Louise Smith No. 119, Waynesboro, Rev. J. M. Moore, President.
2—Sarah Weatherford No. 174, Wiggins Jas. Fairley, President.
3—Parlee Hunter No. 145, Enterprise, H. R. Evans, President.
4—Abe Bell No. 31, Lauderdale, Mrs. Vallie Thornton, President.
5—Adline Brooks No. 127, Shubuta, M. Pope, President.
6—J. J. Overstreet, No. 39, Lauderdale, Mrs. Callie Clayton, President.
7—Sidney Irby. No. 9, Meridian, D. B. Borders, President.
8—Buck Wilkin, No. 235, Lauderdale, Jas. White, President.
9—Julia Johnson, No. 190, Moselle, John Benson, President.
10—Joe Thompson, No. 57, Bassfield, W. C. McLeod, President.
11—Joe Chapman, No. 193, Waynesboro, R. C. Chapman, President.
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13—Mattie Napier, No. 223, Lightsey, Willie Ponder. President.
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15—Mary McLarn, No. 444, Collins, Rev. Lewis Jenkins, President.
16—Amy Dunigan, No. 4, Toomsuba, Ed Portis, President.
17—Maggie Ramsey, No. 266, Brooklyn, Rev. G. R. Ervin, President.
18—Carolina Whitehead, No. 146, Bay-springs. Geo. Quincy, President.
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20—William Chimbless, No. 267, Enterprise. G. D. Cotton, President.
21—James Rodgers, No. 326, Columbia, P. B. Baylis, President.
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23—Johnson Barney, No. 20, Kewanee, W. N. Knott, President.
24—Ike Campbell, No. 93, Shuqualak, W. L. Gillespie, President.
25—Hannar Triplett, No. 344, Leaksville, J. H. Boney, President.
26—Luther Smith, No. 1, Vimville, I. M. Martin, President.
27—Green Puckett, No. 133, Magee, W. J. Rankin, President
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29—Bob Moody, No. 221, Hattiesburg, Henry Croom, President

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Election Official Who Barred Voters From Polls Fined

SALISBURY, N. C., Nov.6—A smashing drama, with exciting action, with enacted here in October term of the United States court, Judge Johnson J. Hayes, Greensboro, presiding, which should be regarded as of more than unusual interest, importance and significance, as the incidents in the plot involved the sacredness of the ballot.

The star character in this tense but dynamic scene was S. R. Sechrest (white(of East Spencer, one of the unscrupulous Democratic election officials, with which North Carolina, as well as other southern states, are chronicly infested. He was charged with violating the federal election laws in the last general election for president and congressmen, in that he refused to register six Race applicants for registration on account of race and color, notwithstanding they were able to pass the educational test prescribed by the constitution of the state as a qualification for franchise.

The writer was told that the facts in the case charging Sechrest with violating the 15th amendment three years ago were diligently sought and painstakingly arranged and presented to the federal grand jury last month by A. E. Tillery, assistant United States dictrict attorney, upon which findings they found a true bill of indictment against the defendant.

Guilty on Six Counts

When the case was called by United States District Attorney E. L. Gavin heading the prosecution corps for the government, Thursday, Oct. 22, Sechrest, through his lawyer entered a plea of nolo contendere against the six counts facing him.

On three of the counts Judge Hayes imposed a fine of $150 each, totaling $450. On the other three counts the defendant was placed on probation for a period of three years. He is to appear at each regular term of the court and show that he (Sechrest) had complied with the terms of the probation.

After Judge Hayes rendered this decision, Sechrest's counsel arose and pleaded for mercy and leniency because of the ignorance and poverty of his client. but the Judge replied that ignorance is no excuse for violation of the law and, moreover, that he was unwilling to grant it in view of the flagrant circumstances surrounding this particular case.

Given Two Hours to Pay Fine

He, furthermore, authorized the sheriff to imprison the culprit if he failed to pay the $450 two hours after his judgment. Judge Hayes also cautioned Sechrest, so your correspondent is informed, that, if he or any of his friends or sympathizers attempted to visit reprisals upon any of the Colore people in his community, whom they knew or suspected of being responsible for his trial and conviction, his probation would end by a term of imprisonment in the federal penitentiary in Atlanta for a number of years and besides. the additional payment of $450 for the other three counts against him would be required.

CHURCH NEWS

The following churches constitute the Meridian Circuit:
Rev. G. C. Borroum, B. D. Pastor,

Bethel A. M. E. Church

930 Sunday School, Bro. Willie Stancil, Supt.

11:00 o'clock Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion service is the first Sunday in each month.

Trustee day is the third sunday at 11:00 o'clock.

Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church

9:30 Sunday School.
11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.
7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion day, second sunday in each month. Official board is Monday night after the second sunday in each month.

Lampton Chapel A. M. E. Church

The regular pastoral day the fourth Sunday in each month.

The public is cordially invited to these services in each month.

New Pospect Baptist Church

9th Avenue and 20th Street Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays.

9:40 Sunday School.

Preaching 11:30 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

5:30 P. M. B. Y. P. U.

Club each Friday night at different homes.

E. L. WEEKS, Clerk,
C. J. BOYKINS, Pastor.

Haven Chapel M. E. Church

J. M. Shumpert, Pastor.
Sunday School 9:30 A. M.
Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church

The Welcome Corner
13th Avenue and 14th Street.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., R. W. Young, Supt.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor.

31st Avenue Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.

Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Calvary Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.

Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.

Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

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A. C. E. League—6:30 P. M.

Rev. W. H. Murrell, D. D., Pastor

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Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.
Rev. A. L. Perkins, Pastor

PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH

6th St. and 14th Ave.
Sunday School 9:30 a. m.
P. J. Brown, Supt.
Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
B. Y. P. U. at 6:0. p. m.
P. M. Mitchell, Pres.
Rev. G. C. Wells, Pastor.

THE FOOLISH CORNER

(By C. Ludwig Major, Sr.,)

Women Part IV

The souls of women are so small that some believe they've none at all

He who trusts a woman and leads an ass will never be free from plague.

Men talk of the influence of women but do women really influence us at all?

Men think women to be angels. Tis not so—Woman dwells in a cask of her own opinion, and looks out through the bringhole of one idea.

Women are books, and men the readers. He who sometimes in those books evate see my only books.

Were woman's looks, and follly's all they've taugh me.

Are women books? Says Hodges Should we change her mind as an almanac to change every year.

A sack full of fleas is easer to watch than a woman.

Go to, you a woman, go.
most women have no character at all.
Every woman is the same
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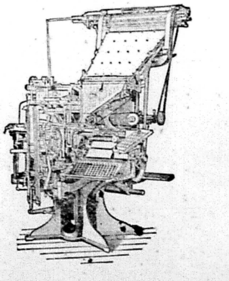

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO H. B. A. PRESIDENTS

Dear Presidents:

We have had renewals for members from a few of the local presidents,who failed to pay the Convention assessment. These president have sent in the 50c after the September Boards were over. We notified them that they owed $1.40 September Claims. They replied to us by saying that the law provides that they pay whatever they owed when they went out, that they fell out in July and did not renew until October or November, therefore, they did not owe the September Claims.

Convention Rules

Those of us in attendance at the Convention will please remember that this matter came up in the Convention, and, the Convention passed the following rules:- That all members who failed to pay the 50c convention assessment at the proper time would be permitted to pay it at anytime, between the July Convention, and, the September Boards with out renewing. That is, no application blank for renewal had to be made out. The presidents were authorized by the Convention to accept the 50c from any member without charging him a renewal fee, or even filling out a renewal blank. The Convention also instructed the presidents not to accept the 50c if the member was sick, other wise, it could be accepted anywhere by the president. The member did not have to meet the local lodge. This was done by the Convention, the law making body, and not by any General Officer or Officers.

We hope that you readily see that the Convention has power to give such orders to change any law in the Constitution that it sees fit and, though the Constitution orders that the member must pay whatever claim he owed when he went out; there was a special provision made for those who did not pay the Convention assessment on time.

Now, may I explain to you, we had more than 1,000 members who did not report on time. If the Convention would permit these people to go over the September Boards without paying both assessments, do you not see that we would loose fifteen hundred or two thousand dollars in the September Boards by people who would decide that they would drop out for about thirty days, which, is the month of October renew up just after the September Boards with 50c. It would be impossible for us to pay our September Claims for the simple reason, we have some people, who would wait thirty or sixty days in order to save $1.40, therefore, all persons who failed to pay the Convention assessment are requested when renewing, to pay the Convention assessment and the September Claims. All persons who failed to pay the 50c on or before the September Boards must renew.

Presidents must make out renewal blanks for them after the September Boards are over.

Secretary.

Dear Editor:

Please allow lodge No. 153 space in the paper to let the readers know that lodge No. 153 has lost one of its faithful members,in the person of sister Elisa Mitchel, Sister Mitchel departed this life November 1st. She was a member of Spring Hill Baptist church about 50 years, and was a member of the H. B. A. about 9 years.She was the mother of ten children, forty-seven grandchildren and thirty great grandchildren She was faithful to her trust. Sister Mitchel was born in 1835 and lived until November 1, 1931. She lived to get a ripe age of 96. She was loved by both white and colored. She leaves to mourn her passing, one son, three daughters, forty-seven grand children, thirty great grand children and a host of relatives and friends. We are trusting that our lost is Heaven's gain.

C. J. Pickett, President
Hickory

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in the columns of the Weekly Echo to state that lodge No. 296 has lost one of its faithful members, in the person of sister Julia Anderson. She died November 6th, and was in good standing with both local and general bodies.

I. B. Anderson, President

QUITMAN

Dear Editor:

Please give me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let you and the Association know that I have received my letter concerning the Burial Department, and, I read it to my lodge. They seem to be well pleased with the Burial Department. I am praying that the whole Association will continue to prosper.

T. J. Dear, President.

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No.99 is moving along nicely. We are working to increase our membership, and,in all of our work, we put God first for without him we can do nothing.We want to ask the whole Association to pray that success will be ours.

Ludia Lewis-Sanford.

HATTIESBURY, MISS.

Dear Editor:-

This comes to let you know that lodge No. 231 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of sister Fannie Wilborn. Sister Wilborn, was a good christian mother, and was loved by all who knew her. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

Joe Knox, President.
M. L. Slaughter, Sec'y

We the Junior and Senior Class of Hickory High 1931-32 are doing real school work. We have a large enrollment.

Class Officers

Miss Claudie N. Carroll, President; Mr. Olie Hill, Vice-President; Miss Ruth E. Gray, Secretary; Miss Eugene E. Carroll, Asst. Secretary; Robert E. Houston, Treas; Carroll L. Morris, Business Mgr.

Teachers

E. S. Steeler, Principal; Miss R. L. Cooks, and Miss P. K. Houston.

Carroll Morris, Reporter.

COMING TO MERIDIAN TRAMP'S CONVENTION, WATCH FOR DATE.

FOUND AID THROUGH THE WEEKLY ECHO

Once upon a time there was a little boy who had no job, and his dear mother was in ill health. This little boy wandered and wandered and finally he found himself in the office of the Goodwill Printing Company. After, relating his story to the manager in charge, he readily felt his sympathy and aided him by running an ad through the columns of the Weekly Echo. The boy was successful in getting a job, his mother got stronger and he was able to stay in school. I will close by saying "An obedient child will naturally get aid.".

Dan Barrett, Fifth Grade

ROSE HILL

Dear Editor:

Please allow space in the Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 233 has lost one of its members in the person of sister Mary Thigpen. Sister Thigpen, died November 1st. We believe our lost is heaven's gain.

Charles Roberts, Pres.

RETAIN KNOWLEDGE

(By Miss Fannie I. Morgan)

Retain your knowledge and your courage, and, you will always be rich, and if you do not grow rich, you will not grow poorer.

No matter what trials you are going through be brave; cultivate strength; and be thankful for what you have; that your condition is not worse.

Let neither troubles nor griefs shake your calm or dim your faith.

Remember the grumbler and the cowards are the destitute people of the world.

CRANDALL

Dear Editor:

Give me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 123 is doing nicely. Brother Demp Meel died October 24th, 1931. Seven years ago when I joined the H. B. A. Bro. Demp was standing there telling me "To come in sister Annie and be a faithful member" and ever since then no matter how the wind blew and how cold it was , as long as brother Demp was able he was standing as a true soldier at his postHe was faithful to his church and lodge. We have lost a faithful member and a christian brother. May GOD bless us all till we meet our dear Brother Demp in the sweet beyonds.

Mrs. Annie Slay, President.

Dear Editor:- I am a constant reader of the Weekly Echo and it is a wonderful paper. I love to read it, and, am inspired by reading the different articles from time to time. I thank you.

Anna Barrett.

Dear Editor:-

Please give me space through the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 146 is still improving, and, still increasing its membership We want the many lodges to pray that success will continue to be ours.

We had state agent J. E. Durr with us on October 30th, and he gave some wholesome remarks.

G. W. Quincy, President

W. H. S. ALUMNI

With very few variations in the program as was outlined in the previous meeting, the Alumni Association entered into its regular session Tuesday, November 10th, at 8:00 p. m. at the School Building.

The ballot, being in charge of Mr. W. A. Reed, Jr., and assistants, revealed the officers for the year, as President Mr. S. M. Roberts; Vice-President, Mr. James Crawford; Sec'y, Miss Dorothy Harris; Ass't Sec'y Miss Nellie Knighton; Treas., Mr. Alexander Lattimore; Reporter; Mr. F. L. Chalmus. Miss Ceraldine Brown, a member of the Senior class, was present and made an appeal to to the association for aid on the prpposed annual projet. which was received with promises of support from members.

Following the session an hour of sociality was enjoyed, there being a lovely ice cream course served by Miss Bessie Trotter and assistants followed by the beautiful strains of music furnished by Miss Sarah Hunter.

This meeting was very well attended and much interest manifested Next meeting Tuesday, November, 24, 7:30 p. m. at School.

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me space to say a few words through the columns of the Weekly Echo. I am more encouraged to do my Master's will than ever before, since the E. M. S. Convention that was held at Union Baqtist Church. I thought of Noah before the flood, how he preached and then our blessed Jesus, the three years He ministered and the pattern He left for us to go by.

Then the twelve He sent out and their duties as disciples. Judas was in the number, today we have them. To be a real disciple, it means self denial and consecrated lives. Lives that are Christ like. The seventy He sent two by two, Luke 10th Chapter. Joel 2:28 I am truly one of these daughters that God said this shall come to past Act 2-17. We are truly living in that day when God is calling for pure men and women to carry His holy word.

Mrs. L. B. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Willis wish to thank the following societies and ladies for the many beautiful gifts given their baby: The Union Socity, C. B. A. Lodge No. 31.

Mesdames Hattie Jones, Daisy Allen, A. E. Needhams, Lucy Brown, Luvenia Harris, S. A. Thomas, Beatrice Holmes of Shaw, Miss., Vera L. Morgan. Misses Teretha Fielder, Lucile Avery and Mrs. Lillie Maye.

Mr. W. L. Gillespie was in the office a few days ago looking prosperous and renewing members.

RUST COLLEGE NOTES

Coach Clemmons, The Texan, is a Hummer Rust Students back up their team like a stone wall Rust goal has not been crossed this season.

Lane College tried it October 16th and lost 7 to 0 Campbell College tried it Halloween and lost 43 to 0 The Dignified Seniors do not mix with the small fry.

The Juniors made the Sophs take of their shoes and go bare foot. The Sophomores caught the freshmen and cut off their hair close up. A bunch of freshies caught the Soph President and cut his hair in spots Harry Reynolds did not like it but the Freshies were 6 to 1 Miss Jennie Ruth Scott came in smiling with an all day sucker.

Shs says that Meridian is still on the Map. Miss Argurtha Brown says she is quite happy at Rust for their is always plenty. Plenty work in the class rooms, plenty eats in the dining hall, plenty fun at the socials, plenty noise at the games. O yes, and plenty beaux

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A PROGRESSIVE [illegible] WECHSLER

The Senior Class of 1932 wishing to climax its High School career at Wechsler, has undertaken the responsibility of publishing the first Wechsler High School "Year Book," "The Wechsier."

Watch for futher development.

Miss Lola Johnson, Class Reporter.

TO PROF. AND MRS. G. M. REESE

We appreciate very highly the production. "Promise Land," put over by you. We feel that it is a true represention of the merits of the school, and, that there is embodied in it those qualities which are taught day after day by you.

These words will make you feel good but will not add anything otherwise. Therefore, we will help you by assuring you that you have our co-operation in anything you attempt.

Seminary Alumni Association

BAYSPRINGS, MISS.

Dear Editor

Please allow me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 146 is doing nicely. On the 13th of November we added six new members to our lodge. We lost one of our faithful members in the person of Sister Lanie Thigpin. She was faithful to her lodge and church. Her many, many friends were those who knew her. She leaves to mourn her surm one daughter, a host of relatives and friends.

G. W. Quincy, President.

Frosh: "Got anything snappy in rubber bands?"

Clerk: "No, but we have something very catchy in fly paper."

MINISTER SHOT DURING FIGHT WITH NEIGHBOR

Rev. Columbus Forehead, 46 years old. 3036 Lake Park Ave., was reported convalescent from a bullet wound of the thing which he received Oct. 24 during a fight with John Scales of the same address, according to Third district police. The minister was tawen to Provodent hospital for first aid treatment, then removed to the birdewell hospital.

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H. B. A. OVER THE TOP

Good news and glad tidings to the loyal presidents and members of this dear old Association. As General President I called on you to give me 400 new members by the December Boards. I have asked you to give me an extra hundred during the month of December. I have asked you to give me 500 by January 1st 1932.

LOOK WHAT HAS BEEN DONE

As we go to press we report to you that you have given us 425 members. I asked for 400 by the Boards. You have given 425 eighteen days ahead of time. My! My! you all have been working. I knew you could do it, I knew you would do it, you have always stood loyally by me.

WHAT MUST WE DO NOW?

I know some of you are asking the question, what must we do now? Listen "honney" you have done what I asked you to do, and now I am going to turn you alose until the Boards, and let you do as you please. Send them in if you want to and make it bigger, or stop and sit down if you want to. "Honney," what do you want to do? I am depending upon you to do one or the other. Yours for the success of the order.

Rev. E. F. Young, General President.

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NATIONAL BENEFIT LOSS $2,828,370.00

JAIL A. M. E. BISHOP THREE HOURS

RECEIVER PROPOSES PLAN FOR SALVAGING LOSS OF ASSET

WASHINGTON.—In his report to the District Court last Tuesday, Daniel C. Roper, white receiver, for the National Benefit Life insurance company, recommended that the company be reorganized on a mutual basis, as the best method of protecting the interest of policy holders. Seven plans were suggested for the rehabilitation of the company but Mr. Roper rejected them all, with the exception of the mutual plan, which he believes to be the best.

Mr. Roper reported that capital stock and surplus of the company have been wiped out, entirely and that there is an impairment in the legal reserve totalling $2,828,330.35, which does not include as liability the capital stock of $250,000 and the surplus reported as of December 31, 1930 of $126,933.58.

CUT IN HALF

The present assets of the company are $2,396,749.29. The outstanding insurance in force is $60,000,000. The annual statement of December 31, 1630, showed assets claimed of $5,599-678.61.

MUTUALIZATION PLAN

The mutualization plan, which is recommended to the court, calls for the organization of a new mutual life insurance company with an invitation to National Benefit policyholders to come into it on an equitable basis.

This plan would only be adopted in the event that stockholders of the National Benefit do not make good the impairment now existing in the legal reserve of the company. The sum of $2,825,000 would be necessary.

The receiver feels that the stockholders should be given an opportunity to contribute to the building of the necessary funds to remedy the present depleted conditions. To his end he recommends that every stockholder be directed to appear in the District Supreme court within a reasonable time and advise the court of their wishes with respect to contributing the amount to the reserve fund necessary to make the company sound and able to reestablish its business.

EXPLAINS PLAN

In the event the stockholders do not make good the impairment, the method of mutualization, which he recommends for adoption is as follows:

"Let the policyholders of the old company coming into the new company assign to the new company whatever of interest they may be found to be entitled to in the assets of the old company; due credit would be given to each policy transferred into the new company at an amount arrived at through an equitable dividend formula. This method would guarantee to the old policyholders who transfer to the new company the highest possible value under their contracts obtainable for their interest in the assets of the old company and would prevent needness sacrifice of their interest. At the same time procedure would not embarrass the interests of persons coming into the new company as new policyholders."

A large majority of the assets of the company consists of real estate and mortgages and because of the present economic situation . should there be an immediate liquidation of these assets they would bring considerable less than in a more favorable market and would result in policyholders receiving considerable less from their assets.

The receiver, in addition to the assistance and advice of the auditor and actuary, consulted some of the most noted insurance experts who are working out a plan in connection with the reorganization whereby the services and influence of these experts will be utilized. Exchange

RACE PREJUDICE IN THE NORTH

EDITOR'S NOTE If you want to be helped read this article

(BY BISHOP WILBUR P. THIRKIELD)

The spirit of case appears o be growing in the North.. Members of the Negro and other colored groups are being discriminated against „segregated, cast out, not because they are low and bad, but because they are black. It is an impressive and most encouraging fact that progressive women and student groups in the South, under the leadership of the Interracial Commission, are definitely organized for interraciell cooperation and betterment; for curing civil and educational unequalities and for war against the crime of lynching,. so that among an everwidening constituency there often appears a broader spirit of interraciall sympathy and tolerance than is found among many white people in the North who hold unreasoning and utterly unjustifable prejudices, and in their relations to the colored groups are goverened by the spirit of caste and even hate. This is manifest not only in community life and school but in some degree even in the church.

Consider this example. In a large city very near New York, members of our Church were bravely strugling to build a church to provide for the ever-increasing tide of Negro population swept in from the South and, in their strange and perilious environment needing religious guidance and help. To bring the enterprise to public notice and to broaden the sympathies of Methodism toward their church, the officers requested the use of one of the leading central churches for a Sunday afternoon service. Imagine their disappointment when they were informed that the use of the sanctuary was denied, as"the action taken by the official board grants you permission to use the chapel adjoning the church". The limited space available made a union service impracticable. A copy of this was also sent to the bishop who was to preach at the proposed service. What wonder that the pastor of the white church strongly resented this action and wrote o the bishop that "only the love of Christ can soften some of their perverse hearts". And that edifice was called"The Church of the Open Door"! The service was held in onother church which generously opened its doors to this struggling peope.

A SOUTHERN INSTANCE

Here let me set forth a striking contrast, revealing an ever-broadening interracial spirit in the South. In October, just one month before this incident, I presided over the Eastern Tennessee Conference (colored) at Abingdon, Va. This is an aristocratic, conservative old Virginia town, with Emory and Henry College in the suburbs, and the seat also of both a Presbyterian and a Methodist Episcopal Church, South, college for women. After an address before the Rotary Club on the opening day, I was invited by the president of the leading bank to hold my cabinet meeting in the board room of the fine stone bank building. I explained to him that it was my custom to confer freely with ministers and laymen and that such numbers might prove a possible embarrassment. Notwithstanding, I met the cabinet aroud the mahogany table in the board room and every caller received courteous treatment. Now a colored Conference is an event. Our church was overflowing, all the week. It was most gratifying, therefore, to receive through the pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South in behalf of his official board, a most cordial invitation to hold the Sunday morning service in their spacious and beautiful church. When the Sunday school was dismissed, groups of colored people filled the church yard, as the hundreds of college girls and children passed through. What an exhibition of interracial good will! Some scores of white people sat at one side during the service, while choir-loft, floor and gallery were packed with devout colored people. The impression was so favorable that we were asked to hold the ordination service in the church in the afternoon. And this is not the first time this has occurred in the South during the ministry of my office. What wonder that I felt constrained to write as follows to the pastor of that Northern church with an official board so out of harmony with the spirit and teachings of the Lord Jesus: "The action of the official board, I am sure, is embarrassing to a faithful pastor who is standing face to face in ————with one of the greatest interracial problems presented by your vast complex population. Does this action mean that the several groups of peoples of color from this country and from other lands are not welcome to occupy the auditorium of this Christian church? If the attitude of your board represents the spirit and purpose of Protestant religious bodies in your city. God only knows what may be the outcome of such an attitude in the long future. As represented by the repeated action of our General Conference, the Methodist Episcopal Church stands for the Christian solution of our complex interracial problems in America, rather than for an attitude that would deepen and intensify the separation between the several colored groups that make up our population. The attitude of your board must be painful to a pastor whose sympathies go out in the spirit of the Lord Jesus toward all men of every race."

HUMANITY BARRICADED

Would that we might realize that the most serious question today before the Church and society throughout the world is the treatment of peoples of color. Consider the attitude, as set forth above, in the light of this trenchant word of Rabindranath Tagore: "I regard the race and color prejudice which barricades human beings against one another as the greatest evil of modern times, which should be overcome if humanity must be realized as one in spirit." Think of the indictment by Professor John Cornelius, representative at the Williamstown Conference: "We came from caste-ridden India to America and we found that the Christians here have even a worse form of caste." An educated Indian friend of his had to go to a dozen barber shops in Chicago before he could get a haircut. Bishop McConnell returns from India with the con-

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The Rev. G. C. Borrum transfered to the North East Conference and stationed at Cold Water, Miss. The entire city of Meridian is mourning because of the fact that the Rev. Borrum has been transfered from us.

There has never been a young man amoung us so well loved, so well known and so well sought after for his service than Dr. Borrum. This young minister has been with us one year, yet he is not only known throughout the city but the entire country as well. We wish to congratulate the town of Cold Water and especially Edward Chapel for being forunate to have this splendid young man with them this year.

Rev. Borrum did not only a great precaher but is a scholar of no mean attainments. He was known in Meridian as a"Ever ready" speaker. The Rev. Borrum leaves us with a clear record as a christian gentleman and brother loved. His great sermons have endeared him in the hearts of the laiety. His sacrificing services have endeared him to the ministers. We are hoping for him a great year in his new field.

Rev. W. H. H. Murrell.

DuBOIS SAYS:

The opinions in this column are not necessarily the views of this newspaper. (Released by the Eastern Features Syndicate).

THE PROGRAM OF PEACE IN MANCHURIA

The war in Manchuria today illustrates clearly the difficultiesof maintaining pease in this world. The nations-- England, France, Germany and the United States--are unable with straight faces or with proof of their sincerity, to ask Japan not to take Manchuria. If it had not been for the World War and the October revolution, Germany, England and Russia would be in control of Manchuria today, and also of a considerable part of China.

England and France, who areasking Japan to seize no part of China, have their pockets full of the loot of Chinese territory. Hongkong itself, which England stole in 1840, as a result of her war to compel China toimport opium, dominates the whole of China and keeps it in economic thralldom to Europe.

The United States has been engaged in exploiting the West Indies and Central and South America, and for this reason has been unable to take part in the exploitation of China as openly as she would wish. Nevertheless her "open door" has been the policy of keeping European nations from doing in Asia exactly what she was doing in the western hemisphere.

Here then, come these allied and associated nations and ask Japan to give up her possession of Manchuria. And they base their plea for peace upon their love for China. Now the world knows how much Europe and America love China. The difficulty is that the Chinese are utterly deceived as to white opinion of the yellow race. China has never had an integrated national public opinion. The Chinese are extremely separist. They do not know Europe. They have no idea of color prejudice and human cruelty current in Europe. China does not even realize the insult of the American Chinese exclusion act. She regards Americans as her friend because America helped her education and returned the Boxer indemnity, while as a matter of fact, Chinese are despised and insulted in America almost as much as Negroes.

The white world is coddling China today because of the hope that civil war will so wear China out that Europe will yet be able to dominate it. And right here comes Japanese fear. Japan is over-integrated. She is a closely-knit imperialism. She thinks and acts as one vast unit because the mass of her people has no part in her thought. Nevertheless, the ruling unifying caste is clear-headed and clear-sighted. They know the insult which America has put upon Japan as a colored nation. They remind themselves of it by a annual celebration. They know the insult which the League of Nations put upon Colored peoples by refusing to take a stand against the doctrine of racial inferiority. They know that if they do not dominate Manchuria now and if China continues to be weak and divided by civil war and economic disintegration, that the moment Europe recovers from its present depression and gets her armies and navies in motion, either England or America or a Faccist Germany or Italy, will seize and rule Manchuria "for the good and protection of civilization!" Japan never forgets.

In the meantime, Russia stands in curious quandary, with all the world watching furtively and uneasily. The keys of the East are in the lap of Russia. Communism is the antithesis of Japanese imperialism, and yet Russia would rather see Japan capitalism triumph in Manchuria than to encourage the rehabilitation of capitalism in Europe by giving it a juicy slice of Asia to exploit. There are even signs that Japan and Russia have secret understanding. If they have, Asia is safe. But even if they have not, Europe rightly fears the red army.

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CATS SWAMP PRENTISS 37-0

HOPSON OUTSTANDING STAR

The Wechsler Black Cats spoiled a tied record for Prentiss. Prentiss came to Meridian having lost one, won one and tied one.

The Cats added another perfectly tanned Panther's hide to their many hides swamping Prentiss 37 to 0. Hopson Stellars. Half-back for the cats, made four of the six touchdowns made by the cats. Burwell made one on a long pass for Jones. Whitfield made one in the last three minutes to play when he snagged a long Prentiss pass out of the hands of a Prentiss end and raced fifty yards down the side for a touchdown. This was one of the most spectacular plays of the game. Time after time Hobson made long gains around ends. Heraced around end at one time for 25 yards and a touchdown He snagged a Prentiss pass on their own 44 yard line and with perfect interference raced for a touchdown. Hopson is slated to make the all-state team which is to be picked soon.. Hopson. Jones Whitfield. Burnett. Fagens and Davis played their best in their final game for Wecsler as they graduate in the spring

were the outstanding players for the Gill, Hick, Jefferson and Johnson visitors. Wechsler is rated as the best High School team in Mississippi and East Alabama. That is why they aare Champions," "TWAS A CAT"

These Husbands of ours

BY "MADAM X"

HUSBANDS AND HOUSEWORK

A man and his wife were arguing. A minister was a guest in their home, and the husband appealed to him to be referee. Reluctantly he agreed at least to hear the case.

The husband said, "My wife wants me to wash dishes and help with the housework and I tell her that's her duty,, not mine."

Before hearing more, the referee said, "Why, of course that's the woman's part and though it would be a kind and generous act if he'd help, the wife has no right to demand it of him."

"But wait." cut in the wife, "I work. I go to work in the morning and work all day; I get home about the same time he does, and have to cook the supper while he reads the paper. Moreover, I pay a part of the house rent, half of the grocery bill and the furniture bill."

"Enough" interrupted the minister, "if you carry your part of the expense, he has every right to help with the housework."

The husband grumbled, "Well, you took her side, but I still claim housework is the woman-s part." "None so blind as they who will not see!"

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JAIL A. M. E. BISHOP 3 HOURS BEFORE RELEASE ON BOND

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—Bishop R. A. Grant, stormy petrel of the A. M. E. church was released on a bond of $1,000 Thursday after he was arrested and lodged in jail for three hours when a warrent charging bastardy was sworn out aganist him Tuesday in the Circuit court of Geneva county.

Ollie Glass, Hartford, Ala., girl who says that Bishop Grant is the father of her child preferred the charges which led to his arrest. The bishop must answer to the charges Monday, November 23.

Bishop Grant was in Birmingham at the time of his arrest to conduct the North Alabama A. M. E. conference. Both he and his supporters label the move as nothing more than an effort to further embarrass him in the case.

He was released from jail in time to attend the Thursday afternoon sessions. Friends of the prelate posted a cash bond of $1,000. The bond was approved after communication between Jefferson and Geneva county officials. Many feel that the action of the girl came as result of the failure of the Bishop to pay his November payment on a sum of money agreed upon by the girl and her parents last year in consideration of which there would be no publicity, court action, etc., in regard to the affair. The child was born December, 1930.

Lincoln University And Tuskegee To Clash Xmas

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala.—Captain Alvin J. Neely chairman of the Tuskegee Institute Committee on the Regulation of Athletic Sports, announced this week that Tuskegee would meet Lincoln university of Pennsylvania in a football game in the Alumni Bowl at Tuskegee on December 25, Christmas Day.

Negotiations begun several weeks ago, between Cleve L. Abbott, director, of athletic and head coach at Tuskegee, and H. F. Grim, chairman of the Lincoln university Athletic Council, were brought to a close early during the week.

Tuskegee and Lincoln have met twice before. The first game was played on Franklin field, the University of Pennsylvania, October 29, 1926. Tuskegee won, 20 to 16. The second game was played at the American League baseball park in 1927. The Tigers were again the victors, 29 to 0.

Lincoln university graduates scattered all over the South and Southwest, have already indicated that the game will be made a Homecoming occasion for the Southern group.

This stellar football attraction, coming during the holiday season, should interest follows of the game from all sections of the South.

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HELL

The Christian Recorder:

Some of the newspapers are making "a big to- do" about Hell, calling it old fogey, etc., and jumping on Dr. Robinson who seemed to start the discussion.

Of course to becalled old fogey is no disgrace, for it is old fogeyism which is the foundation of society. And old fogey will be here when new fogey is gone. The marriage of one man to one woman is old fogey to those who want "companionate marriage" or free love. The new birth is old fogey to those who have never experienced it. Staying home at night and studing one's lesson is called old fogey by the youngsters who want to run around and carouse. Indeed some people have a habit of calling things old fogey when these things get in the way of devilment they want to do.

But about Hell.

Young pepole do not have much experience which causes a geniune belief in either Hell or Heaven. What they know is what they have read and what has been told them. If they are very thoughtful and inclined to be critical they find on reaching the college age many contradictions in the description of Hell and Heaven as given to them in early childhood. They cease to beleive that Hell is just under the surface of the earth of that Heaven is just beyond the moon. The new view of the universe and the comparative insignificance of the earth take away from them many old ideas. If they are inclined to be cynical and a little conceited, the new knowledge often upsets them and they do not struggle to adjust their thoughts but throw the old overboard, and say, 'I don't beleive in this or that." That's why a great poet said:

"A little learning is a dangerous thing; "Drink deep or taste not." That is why a great prophet wrote:

"Prove all things;hold fast to that which is good."

Youth whose knowledge is chiefly theoretical and whose physical powers are at their height, who view life from the point of vew of innocent optism, who know but little of its hardships,its defeats, its injustices, etc.— —from experience, may not see much need of Hell. But not so with age.

Heaven is a universal longing in the soul of nearly every individual of mature years, and Hell is the universal fear. Quite as many people are kept in he path of rectitude from fear of Hell as from hope of Heaven. And this is at the bottom of he heart of all nations.

Of course no one has experienced the Hell of the after life and returned to tell us about it. We are left to theorize and to reason. And we cannot reason Hell out of existence. We may change our ideas of Hell but that does not change the fact.

If a man will write down all the reasons he can think of why there is a hell, he will be convinced by the argument of the very reasons he sets down, that there must be a Hell.Try it.

If there is no Heaven or Hell why is the concept of both so universally a part of man's being? Il there is immortality there must be Hell and Heaven But we cannot prove by the experiences of every day whether there is immortality or not.

Immortality is a matter of human faith, not proof, and so is Hell. They are in the realm of religion not science.

The man who wants to Prove that Hell exists cannot prove such a simple thing as who is his father, or even that he is alive. Scientific progress within the last forty years has brought us to this one idea, more than anything else:That science does not prove that anything of which man can conceive,is impossible. Only the unscientific are dogmatic as to what cannot be, and the man who says there can be no Hell is not scientific; he is ignorant. He is in the class wih the man who said iron would not float— before the battleship came; or the man who said it was impossible o hear a man's voice a hundred miles away, or to see through a stone wall, or send a photograph by telephone. In other words science does not deny; it seeks. And the dogmatist who poses in the name of science is no better(perhaps worse) than the dogmatist in theology. That there will always be doubts as to the existence of Hell and Heaven is natural, but doubts as to nonexistence and proof of nonexistence are not the same. That the crude ideas of Hell and Heaven which exist among savages should not persist in civilizationis to be expected;but denial of so persistent a human idea without evidence is absurd.

Those who are not convinced as to Hell now better look out; there may be overwhelming evidence for them hereafter. And remember the case not closed until hereafter. For ourself we are going to let all those who do not believe in Hell have their way, but we are gooing to do all we can to keep away from Hell. So if there is a Hell we'll be safe, and if there is not one, we won't be hurt— when we wake up "in the morniing".

EAST END SCHOOL NEWS

The "A" section of the first grade with Miss Nettie Mae Wobbington,teacher and the fourth grade with Miss Esther D. Thornton, teacher gave a delightful Tea Party Monday at noon. Two Prizes were given. One for the winner of the lucky number and the other for the winner of the main game played. Both prizs went to boys of the fourth grade; namely Robert Collins and Calvin Wilson.

The sixth grade pupils together with a few pupils from other grades staged a Thanksgiving Program at the Pilgrim Progress Baptist Church, Wednesday night November 24, 1931. This program was directed by Miss Emma B. Ivy. Cecil Turner one of the leading boys of the fourth grade suffers a broken arm which resulted from a falll while playing on the yard Monday at noon recess. Dr. L. F. Brooks was summoned as soon as the accident occured. The child was rushed to a local hospital where we hope he is resting fine.

THE FOOLISH CORNER

(By C. Ludwig Major, Sr.,)

Part VI
MATRIMONY

Matrimony a game for women, in which the unmarried half is trying to find a husband and the married half is trying not to be found out by one.

Both halves are eminently successful.

Marriage is a Desperate thing
Marriage—Monotony multiplied by two
Whether marrige brings joy or sorrow,
Make sure of this day, and bang tomorrow.
A man finds himself seven years older
The day after his marriage.
Keep your eyes wide open before marriage,
And half shut afterwards.
A story without a hero "Recollections of a married man."
Ne'er take a wife till thou hast a house (and a fire) to put her in.
Matrimony is a two-handed play in which from the beginning one always cheats.
Once you are married there is nothing left for you, not even suicide but to be good.
Marriage is a field of battles,
And not a bed of roses.
Ay! marriage is the life-long miracle!

TOBIAS SPEAKS AT LOS ANGELES Y. M. C. A. JUBILEE

LOS ANGELES (ANP)—The twenty-fifth anniversary of the 28th street branch of the YMCA. has been made the occasion of a city-wide celebration extending over an entire week The principal events were the mass meeting last Sunday afternoon at the Second Baptist church and the banquet on Monday evening at the YMCA. building with Channing H. Tobias of New York City, national secretary as principal speaker on both occasions. In his Sunday afternoon address. Mr. Tobias traced the history of Negro participation in YMCA work from the founding of the branch of colored men and boys in Washington, in 1853 up to the present time.

He reminded his hearers that colored men were not an appendage to the general movement but a real controlling factor—he pointed out that colored men had membership on the world's committee, the international committee, the national concul of the United States and on state and local boards.

In paying tribute to the greatest benefacter of the colored men's department, Julius Rosenwald, Mr. Tobias said: "Here is a man who thought remaining loyal to his own religion, stepped across the line of race and religion and challenged white and Negro christians to serve the social, religious and recreational needs of Negro youth."

In further tribute to Mr. Rosenwald the speaker declared that the 27 YMCA. buildings and the 5,000 rural school buildings made possible to Negroes by Mr. Rosenwald's vision and generosity constituted thegreatest constructive service ever rendered by an individual to a race of people.

Other speaking engagements of Mr. Tobias included a radio talk from the church of Bob Shuler, the most powerful religio-political factor in Los Angeles, and addresses before the assembles of Occidental and Pomona colleges.

The banquet had as toast master the architect, Paul R. Williams.

On this occasion special honor was paid to T. A. Greene, who has served as secretary of the "Y" from its founding 25 years ago.

Floral tributes and a silver service were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Greene

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RACE PREJUDICE IN THE SOUTH

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viction that the attitude of America toward colored peoples prevents access to multitudts of thoughful minds. This gives a significance to the ominous word of Tagore: "As long as lynching goes on in America, she has very little of brotherhood to import to the Orient." In Russia, in the anti-religious museum, a prominent place is given to pictures of Negro lynching atrocities. Who can deny that this furnishes a terrific indictment of our so-called Christian civilization! Our Japanese exclusion act, based not on cultural or economic grounds, gave "a shock to the whole Japanese race, such as had never before been felt."

In view of the above, recent race conflicts should awaken serious minds to a situation that is truly alarming and should arouse the Church to action. With gratitude we may contemplate the attitude of Christian organizations of young people which furnishes a rebuke to their elders, and gives hope for a future marked by broader interracial co-operation.

THE NEGRO GROUP HARDEST HIT

In the present economic crisis the Negro is the first group hardest hit Coming north by hundreds of thousands at the call of factories and trade, in Chicago alone over 40,000 colored laborers on the South Side are now cast out. Evictions have left thousands in desperate straits. Communists have taken advantage of the siauation and their inflammatory harangues in Washington Park have gradually drawn many thousands. When a colored woman tenant of seventy-two years was evicted for nonpayment of rent, the mob brought on a clash with the police during which three men were killed and three policemen badly injured. Caste, Communism, discrimination, repression, create an ugly and perilous situation which hungry and desperate people may force to the front this coming winter in many Northern cities into which a million Negroes are now crowded.

A situation involving enforced segregation, developed last year at Whits Plains, N. Y. All admitted that the physician and his family were quiet cultivated, personally agreeable and attractive people. But they were colored, and the neighbors would cast them out togeather with the colored Y.M.C.A secretary who roomed in the house. When the excitement had abated, called upon to address a union meeting of the churches on Interracial Sunday, I was permitted to say that "all decent-minded Americans condemn the devilish mob spirit recently let loose in several atrocious lynchings." I then added, "You people would not lynch the bodies of men, but do you not lynch the minds and souls of colored men by your caste and discrimination, your bitter strictures and segregations?" Choosing to find my life and work for nearly a half century largely identified with this group, how often have I seen refined, sensitive men and women fairly writhe and groan under the un-Christian caste and inhumanity of man!

"SIT WHERE THEY SIT"

"I sat where they sat," said the prophet of old. This awakened sympathy for the oppressed. Catch in the Negro spirituals not only the mood of spiritual hope and strength but the anguish of the oppressed. My plea is, put yourself in the Negro's place- It is acknowledged that the finest concert tenor voice developed in America is that of Roland Hayes, a man of lofty spiritual aims, and fine culture, a perfect gentleman, yet hotels are closed against him. Suppose you were a member of a quartet engaged to sing "spirituals" over the radio, with studio in the top of a hotel, and because of the color of your skin you were hustled back to the freight and baggage elevator And this in New York-

Consider the case of a young woman of refined tastes, graduate of a leading New York high school, with education Christian parents, who makes application for entrance to the Department of Home Economics of a leading university in the state founded by Methodist. The dean "strongly recommends" the parents to withdraw the application as she would be "very much isolated socially," enforcing this by the example of a colored maid, who "leads a lonely life:" thus assuming that the candidate is so lacking in strength of character, social grace and adaptation that she will be "unhappy." Unfortunately the chancellor feels constrained to support the dean and the door of entrance to a great Northern university is slammed in her face. Yet the aim of this aspiring young woman is not "happiness," but equipment for service. She is willing to pay the price and run the risk of winning her place in the esteem of the student body, as did a colored girl at Smith College recently, who by free vote of her classmates was accorded one of the highest honors in her class. The dean expressed the fear that the university is "not prepared to place colored students on graduation." The candiate asked not for a place, but for a chance for preparation for service. The call for such equipped women is insistent. The over 19,000 Negro youth in our colleges and the tens of thousands in high schools require teachers. The work of our Bennett College for Women at Greensboro, N. C., which in four years from its founding won from the General Education Board the endorsement of a conditional gift of a quarter million dollars for endowment, has only been made possible by the fourteen thoroughly equiped teachers who gained their degrees from Northern colleges. And three of these are from Cornell and Columbia, which did not debar them on account of race. Really the presence of such a cultivated and aspiring young woman of the Negro group should prove a blessing to the students of the university. The peril in our American lifeis the isolation of race groups and the lack of contact on the higher levels between members of the various races. To them all the doors that swing downward are open. To the colored group especially, the doors upward into the library, lecture and concert halls are too often closed. Contact in class work and college associations with a noble, well-equipped young woman of the Negro group would tend to eliminate race prejudice, which is the beginning of selfinflicted blindness and a peril to our American life.

The hope of the South as regards the abatement of race prejudice is in the women and in the student groups in the colleges. In nearly fifty years of my personal life, identification with the Negro group, I see larger signs of hope han ever before. If this young woman is shut out of the university, it would evidently be on the basis of prejudice and race discrimination. What an example to the South, which is now facing the race question with a broader sympathy and a finer spirit of race recognition and co-operation!

In view of this statement of facts and plea (in behalf of colored groups which now constitute two thirds of the word's population,) let me commenb to people to whom all avenues to the larger life are open, this deeply significant word of Lord Bryce, after a profound study of the question: "Let the gospel of Christ come to them as a beneficial power which can fill their hearts with new thought and new hopes; which may become a link between them and ourselves; helping them forward and averting those conflicts and sufferings which will otherwise follow; a bond between all races of mankind of whatever blood, or speech, or color; a sacred bond to make them feel and believe that we and they are all the children of one Father in heaven."

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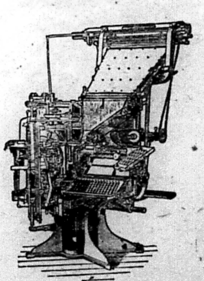

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C. M. E. CONFERENCE CLOSES

The 21st Annual Session of the South Mississippi Conference of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church was opened at Crytal Springs, Mississippi, November 17th with Bishop Robert T. Brown of Birmingham, Alabama, presiding. The Conference was well attended by both ministers and delegates. A large number of visitors was present.

CRYSTAL SPRINGS ENTERTAINS

The pastor of Mt. Calvary C. M. E. Church, who was the host of the guest spared no little pains in making it pleasant for those attending the Conference. The members and friends of this church, and of all denominations represented in Crystal Springs, were among the most loyal and hospital to be found anywhere. All delegates and visitors were treated royally. No complaints whatever, were heard from any of the delegates.

REPORTS

The reports coming in from the various Districts were somewhat short this year, because of the depression, however, there were a few ministers in the Conference who made round reports among those making round report, were: Revs. R. L. Young of Newell Chapel Church; E. F. Young, of Zion Hill Church; G. C. Fairley of Hattiesburg and E. B. Brown of Jackson.

According to reports, the Rev. S. E. Gibson of Lynch Street Church has been in poor health all the year and it is remarkable as to how he and his people made such a splendid report.

PREACHING

The preaching at the Annual Conference was done by Dr.Jas. R. Stark, editor of the Western Index, Dallas, Texas, Revs. M. J. Jones, E. B. Brown, R. L. Young, J. H. Moore, General Secretary of Missions, Holly Springs, Mississippi, G. L. Burks, J. W. Brown, L. E. Epps and E. B. Blackman.

BISHOP PREACHES AT 11:30 A. M.

Sunday morning at 11:30 a .m. Bishop R. T. Brown, D. D., preached to a packed audience. It was one of the most inspiring sermons that the Conference had witnessed for some time.

SECRETARIES

The secretaries were: Rev. R. L. Young, Secretary of the Conference; C. I. Chatman, Statistician; Mrs. R. T. Brown, private secretary to the Bishop and Rev. H. C. Chatman, Reporter.

APPOINTMENTS

The appointments were as follows: The Meridian District, Rev. E. W. Washington, Presiding Elder; Meridian Station (Newell Chapel) R. L. Young; Good Hope Circuit, Wm. Watkins; Zion Hill Station, E. F. Young; Lauderdale Circuit, E. M. Hill; Hattiesburg and Wiggins, G. C. Fairley; Mt. Pleasant and Collins, E. B. Blackman; Taylorsville and New Zion A. L. Dungion; Clyde and Rosehill, W. L. Expose; Prentiss and Blue Springs to be supplied; Laurel Mission, T. W. Hence; Biloxi Mission, D. C. Sims; Bassfield Circuit, E. B. Brown; In hand of Presiding Elder Wm. Anderson, G. L. Conner, S. L. Expose. District president of W. M. S. Mrs. Lula Wilson Joint Board of Finance E. B. Blackman and G. E. Easterling.

JACKSON DISTRICT

W. H. Foster, Presiding Elder, South Jackson, G. W. Roberts; Lynch Street H. B. Leach; Mt. Olive and Good Water, J. W. Brown; Bentonia Circuit, H. C. Chatman; Canton Station and Good Hope to be supplied; Crystal Springs, G. W. Wright; Zionell Circuit, L. E. Epps; Yazoo City, Ebernezer and Howard, T. Saunders, Sr.; Sartartia Circuit, G. L. Burks; Fannin Circuit, S. W. Westbrook; D'Lo Mission to be Supplied; Valley Mission C. A. Simpson; Warm Springs Mission W. J. Jones Terry M. B. Brown; In hand of Presiding Elder F. Miller and S. E. Gibson. District President W. M. S., Mrs. Mary F. Williams, Annual Conference President Mrs. Lillian Armstrong; Joint Board of Finance, G. W. Roberts and W. J. Randolph.

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T. Saunders, Jr., Presiding Elder; Gloster Circuit, M. J. Jones; Centreville, O. A. Hill; Utica Circuit, L. C. Hill; Institute R. M. Mims; Pine Bluff Circuit, J. O. Ames; Mt. Olive, Mt. Nebo Circuit John Good; White Castel, L. S. Shermon; Midway, G. A. William; Harriston and Natchez Mission to be supplied; New Hope and Rosetta Mission S. L. Neland; Buffalo Cicuit, supplied by S. K. Barnes; D. M. Montgomery, Dean of Mississippi Industrial College, Holly Springs, Mississippi; In hand of Presiding Elder, D. D. Seiben, J. W. Washington; District President W. M. S. Mittie Collins; Joint Board of Finance, L. C. Hill and A. M. Wilson.

DONATION

Because of the illness on the part of the Rev. S. E Gibson, he was not given any special work, in order that he may be able to recover. The Presiding Elders and pastors, according to a vote of the Conference, will take a free will offering in the month of December and said amount will be sent to Rev. Gibson as a Xmas token for him and his family.

COLLECTION

The Collections during the Conference were very good. The 11:00 o'clock collection was the climax. Bishop Brown asked for $100.00 in this collection and when the Presiding Elders were through, they announced that they had raised $100.00.

EAST ST. LOUIS NEWS

"IN AND AROUND LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL"

Dear Editor:-

Please give the freshmen a clap: They need it. Little Marty Van Boldon is making herself known for being in the way. Guy Johnson is making a name for himself on the football team (as water boy.)

The senior high department has an election for Hi School Queen. Miss Alice Hurst won by popular vote. Hats off to our vivacious bundle of sweetness. Miss Hurst has made a name for herself in musical world, as well as the "beauty world." She is of the Spanish type. Besides a charming personality, she is full of fun, mischief and life. She has talent galore and a truer American girl couldn't be found We hope her reign (short) from now until June '32 will be a superior one.

We needn't fear that the masculine sex will vanish, for they are around anywhere she is (a whole regiment.) Hats off again to "Chappy" Hurst, or Alice Hurst, the Queen of L. H. W. who possesses every bit of the magnetic-exoticism. She is a wonderful student.

Vesser King wins the trip to Louisville with the team, Thanksgiving, where they play with the team.

The team has played six games, won four, lost one, and lost another by forfeit Captain John Jackson did superior work.

Prof. C. L. Gastons' room at the end of the hall, No, 209. is the most interesting room of the whole school. In it we find: Clara "Mickey" Walker, Edloni "Jackie" Wright, Alice "Honey" Hurst, Lillie Fells, John Thomas and Joshua Gentry, all of who are a few of the leading pupils in the senior High department. It is also the nosiest room. Well, we will dedicate the new Gym. soon

By Nadine Rosemary Finck,
Associate Reporter.

IN AND AROUND TOWN

Many wedding dinners have been given for Miss Valerie Caldwell, now Mrs. Williams of Philadelphia. All were gorgeous affairs. The bride has a convertible roadster.

The town favors a puddle of mud, and lakes now after the rains.

Many murders have occured here as the gansters are aloose. The Negroes commit most of the murders among themselves.

Nadine B. Finck, Associate
Reporter

REORGANIZED CLUB

Friday, November 19th, 1931, the Ever-Ready Sociable Club met at the home of Mrs. Lula Larkin for the purpose of reorganizing for the ensuing year. The following were elected as officers: Misses Mattie L. Larkin, President; Martha Hardy, Vice-Pres. Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, Secretary; Miss Salome Stennis, Treasurer; Mr. Eugene Emerson, Chaplain; Mrs. J. M. Brown, Critic and Mr. E. D. Larkin, Reporter.

After the business part of the meeting was over, an hour was spent in socializing. The meeting adjourned to meet at the home of Miss Martha Hardy on the first Monday evening in December.

ALL STAR MUSICAL PROGRAM

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One of the finest musical treats of the season will be witnessed Tuesday evening, December 1st, at the First Congregational Church. This affair will bring together some of Meridian's best talent-an event which you cannot afford to miss. Those who will appear are; Miss Zee Anderson, Miss Pearl Varnado, Mrs. Frances Eaten, Miss Alma Reese, Miss Naomi Sims, Miss A. Curry, Miss B. Sims, Miss Bertha Brantly, Mrs J. Reese, Mrs. E. Hunter, Mrs. Hattie McCann, Mrs. T. J. Harris, Miss D. Harris, Mrs. A. B. Blackwell, Mrs. Laura Harris, Mrs. Cora Williams, Mr. C. A. Sherrod, Mr. J. B. Pettus, Dr. A. B. Blackwell, Mr. Malvin Roberts. Selections will be given by the East End School quartet, and the Baptist Seminary and Wechsler High School Glee Clubs. A small admission will be charged.

CHURCH NEWS

The following churches constitute the Meridian Circuit:
Rev. P. Butler, Pastor

Bethel A. M. E. Church

930 Sunday School, Bro. Willie Stancil, Supt.

11:00 o'clock Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion service is the first Sunday in each month.

Trustee day is the third sunday at 11:00 o'clock.

Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church

9:30 Sunday School.

11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion day, second sunday in each month. Official board is Monday night after the second sunday in each month.

Lampton Chapel A. M. E. Church

The regular pastoral day the fourth Sunday in each month.

The public is cordially invited to these services in each month.

New Pospect Baptist Church

9th Avenue and 20th Street Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays.

9:40 Sunday School.

Preaching 11:30 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

5:30 P. M. B. Y. P. U.

Club each Friday night at different homes.

E. L. WEEKS, Clerk,
C. J. BOYKINS, Pastor.

Haven Chapel M. E. Church

J. M. Shumpert, Pastor.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church

The Welcome Corner

13th Avenue and 14th Street.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., R. W. Young, Supt.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor.

31st Avenue Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.

Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Calvary Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.

Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.

Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

Sunday School—9:30 A M.

Preaching—11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M.

A. C. E. League—6:30 P. M.

Rev. W. H. Murrell, D. D., Pastor

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A. J. Riser, Supt.
Preaching 11:00 a. m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.
Rev. A. L. Perkins, Pastor

PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH

6th St. and 14th Ave.
Sunday School 9:30 a. m.
P. J. Brown, Supt.
Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
B. Y. P. U. at 6:0. p. m.
P. M. Mitchell, Pres.
Rev. G. C. Wells, Pastor.

ST. PAUL M. E. CHURCH

Sunday School 9:30 a. m.
Preaching 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.
Preaching Sunday night 7:00 p. m. by the District Supt., Rev. D. L. Morgan Monday night November 30th the 4th Quarterly Conference will be held at St. Paul M. E. Church.
Rev. M. T. J. Howard, Pastor

Mrs. Louise Ratcliff, who has been visiting and was guest of Mrs. Minnie McQueen for five weeks, left the city last week enroute for Brookhaven, Miss. Mrs.Ratcliff will spend a few days in Brookhaven after which she will return to her home in Los Angeles California.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

After having held a very successful Conference at Livington, Ala., Bishop W. J. Walls of Chicago, Illnois was the guest of Mr. R. E. Watksons, Monday 3201-12 Street.

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H. B. A. News

ROYCE

Dear Editor:

Please allow lodge No. 364 space in your Echo to let our many readers know that we have been in operation four years and one month. Until November 16th, fate has sailed upon us. We had suffered no deaths. But atlas! the great dragon came among us and took one of our most beloved and faithful members, in the person of Sister Louise Bolton. We cannot say enough for her. Lodge No. 364 gave a grand funeral parade and a grand turnout in her honor.

The funeral was attended by our beloved pastor, Rev. Ira Merrill, who is a member of our lodge. After the sermon had been preached, we marched to thecemetary behind the body. Before depositing the body, Rev. Merrill delivered an address in honor of the H. B. A.

After explaining the benefits given our sick, he told our audience that the casket, which was one of the most expensive seen in this section by white or colored, was given by our society in addition to the endownment which amounted to one hundred and seventy or more dollars. How the eyes of the people did pop. How they did question us after we had in the word of our president, broken rank.

We are looking forward to a greater membership now, since the people know what we will do for our sick and deceased. Presidents of the H. B. A., we are for you 100%.

Jeff Anderson, President.
W. A. Henderson, Reporter

BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

Dear Editor:-

This comes to let the readers know that we the members of lodge No. 277 are doing nicely. We had a rally Sunday, November 15th, 1931, and it was just fine. We put over a real program. Lodge No. 331 with Mr. Wm. Porter as president was with us and lodge No. 330 was also represented.

We had in our midst one of our white friends, in the person of Mr. Carlas Smith. He made some very timely remarks, and stood by the cause in every way. He was representing the Red Cross and raised $2.00 for same. The church raised $1.81 in a free will offering and the lodge raised $9.66. Grand total for the day $13.47. Mr. Smith donated $1.75 of this amount and we added five members to our lodge.

Sam Daniel, President
Ollie Buarrils, Secretary.
N. A. Daniel, Reporter.

VOSSBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor:-

Give me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 290 is doing nicely.

I wish to state that the casket shipped for Brother Berrie Saturday was excellent. Everybody was well pleased with it, and, we think our lodge will increase its membership. The members who dropped out of the lodge see their mistake and I think we will soon gain them back.

L. Bonner, President.

MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 389 with Mr. R. S. Peterson as local pres. is doing nicely. I met the people on their Annual day and I was introduced by the pastor, Rev. W. L. Walker. After I lectured everybody seemed to have enjoyed same. This is a number "I" lodge. The president and members of this particular lodge are all working in harmony.

When I read of the good work that is being done by Agent Durr, I wonder why the presidents and lodges of my district don't have their Agent to do the same. Presidents, do you not know that the General Secretary gave me quite a number of lodges in need of an agent, to preside over?

The local presidents in this section don't seem to realize that they can not get anywhere by staying off to themselves. I can't keep up with agent Durr, but I want him to know that I am still on the field.

Ames Johnson, Agent.

MCLEOD

Dear Editor: Please give me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 389 is doing nicely. On the 25th of October we had our agent with us, in the person of Mr. Ames Johnson. He spoke to the congregation both day and night His remarks were very, very timely and they caused a great number to see the H. B. A. as never before.

He has left our lodge, but the timely and interesting lectures he made are still with us. We made him feel glad before leaving.

R. S. Peterson, Reporter.

LAMBERT, MISS

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me space in the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 45 at Longstreet, Miss., is doing nicely. A few nights ago we met at Sowshe Baptist Church on a special meeting and took in eight applications for membership to our lodge, and, we are expecting many more.

Yours for the order,
James Lashley, Reporter

PHILADELPHIA, MISS.

Dear Editor:-

This comes to let the readers know that lodge No. 450 has lost one of its members, in the person of Sister Pervia Jackson. Sister Jackson died November 13th. She has been a member of Stoven Chapel M. E. Church for 15 years. She leaves a loving husband, a mother, one sister, one son and a host of friends to mourn her passing.

W. B. Howze, President.
L. F. Fulton, Secretary.

LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor:-

Please allow lodge No. 387 space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 387 is doing nicely. Since I have been installed as Vice-President, I have been doing my best to help put over the H. B. A. program.

I have seven applications on file for membership to our lodge to be sent in, and, out local president is doing his very best to constrain the members to live a christian life. On the 4th Sunday we had our Anniversary and invited all H. B. A.s to be present.

Bro. M. Morse, Vice-Pres.

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to announce the death of my dear mother- in-law, Mrs. Hattie Kendrick, born in Georgia in the year 1845, died in Hickory, Miss., November 20, 1931. The mother of 15 children, 43 grand children and 32 great-grand children. She left eight children,, 43 grand children and 32 great-grand children, three daughters-in-law to mourn her lost. Sleep on, sleep on, we will meet her some glad day.

Mrs. Mabel Kendricks

W. H. S. ALUMNI

Congenial, interested and much concerned, the Aluumni Association met Tuesday November 24, 8:00 P. M. in the auditorium of the school. President S. M. Roberts officiated.

Many proposed plans, after having received much discussion, developed some very constructive programs for the future which should add plenty socially and educationally. All members are expected to support these programs.

Some definite planswere arranged and expressions revealed that cooperation existed and that there is much interest manifested.

Committees ,failing to make their reports, as scheduled, are kindly asked to function properly and immediately so as to have their specific works in readiness for presentation at the earliest possible date.

The feature of the next meeting, Wednesday December 2, 7:30 P. M., will be a debate. Topic: RESOLVED that the ENFORCEMENT OF PROHIBITION has done more HARM than GOOD. Participants for this event are: Affirmative — Messrs F. L. Chalmus, Benjamin Taylor. Negative:— Messrs Tom C. Miller, Alexander Lattimore.

Be present, SEE and HEAR this proposed verbal battle. Much business and of vil importance will be transacted.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the white and colored friends for the kindness shown during the illness and death of our dear mother, Mrs. Hattie Kendrick, Hickory, Mississippi.

Mrs. Mabel Kendrick.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their kind words of sympathy. Also for the beautiful floral offerings given at the death of our wife grand-mother and aunt(Mrs. Mattie Lee Hunter.

We especially want to thank Rev. J. A. Williams for his consoling words. May God's richest blessings rest upon you.

Signed: Nickles Hunter,, Husband
Eddie Lee Griffin, grand-son
Issabelle Graham, Niece
Henry Ray, Nephew.

Miss Edna Beatrice Watts has completely recovered from a recent illness and will be able to return to take up her class work Monday morning.

Thanking all who sincerely visited her sick bed and gave her consolation.

Miss Willie Evlyn Watts,Reporter.

Mrs W. C. Baity of 1512-28th Ave. was the lovely hostess of an elaborate Pink and White Birthday Luncheon,given in honor of Miss Esther D. Thornton, Friday evening November 20, at 6:00 P. M.

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THE MIGRATION OF THE NEGRO

Wage Fight on Color Line at State Asylum

THE MIGRATION OF NEGROES

By Bishop W. A. Candler

There has been two migrations f the Negroes in the United States. The first was in the later half of the eighteenth century, when there was an involuntary migration of them from the north to the south. Northern slave holders selling them to southern planters.

Dr. George Henry Moore,, a native of New Hampshire, and for many years the librarian of the Boston Library,in his well-known work entitled, Notes on the History of Slavery in Massachusetts" tells us that the first Colonial slave-ship. "The Desire," belonged to the Colony of Massachusetts, and he observes, "that this first entrance into the slave-trade was not a private, individual speculation. It was the enterprise of the authorities of the Colony."

This ship carried enslaved Indians to Spain and the West Indes, and brought back African slaves, having thereby loads both going and coming.

The slave-trade was not abolished by laws in Massachusets until March 28 1788, and in this connection it will be recalled that the Committee of Eleven in the Convention that framed the Federal Constitution in the same year reported in favor of prohibiting the slave trade after the year 1800; and that when it was moved to amend by extending the time to 1803, James Madison spoke earnestly against the amendment; but without further discusion the amendment was adopted by the votes of the three New England States(Masschusetts, New Hampshire and Connecticut, Rhode Island not being represented),, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia.

The three New England States wished twenty years more to profit by the slave trade and their customers in the four southern states desired the same period to stock up their supply of slaves.

It may be doubted that through any port in the country were imported as many African slaves as came through the port of the Boston. They were brought in to sell to purchasers in the south rather than to be retained in New England where for climatic and commercial reasons they were unprofitable and undersirable.

Then began the involuntary migration from the north to the south . The day following the adoption ofthe act of the legislature of Massachusets prohibiting the continuance of the slave trade another law was enacted providing that "no person being an African or Negro other than a subject of the Emperor of Morroco or a citizen of some one of th United States shall tarry with in this commonwealth longer than two months."Of this law Dr. George H. Moore says'It will be observed that all Negroes, resident in Massachusetts, not citizes of some one of the States, were required to depart in two months, on penalty of being apprehended, whipped and ordered to depart .The process and punishment could be repeated every two months"

Pursant to this law and additional acts passed in the years 1798 and 1802,, many Negroes were officially "warned and directed to depart out of this commonwealth." These and other things accelerated the migration of Negroes southward, including free Negroes and fugitive slaves, ,along with others who were slaves purchased from slave-ships and slave-holders in the north.

After the lapse of more than a century a larger migration of Negroes has begun, and is continuing, going northgan bout 1920, and in the decade following the Negro population was increased by a million and half souls, two-thirds of the increase being in states north of the"Mason and Dixon" line. In the south the increase of the colorede people was no more than 5 per cent, while in the northern staates it was more than 60 per cent. The Borough of Manhattan alone gained 116,000 colored residents. According to the last census there are in the state of New York 412,814 Negroes. In other northern states, notably New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Illinois, similar increasee of the Negro population have come to pass.

In the first migration of Negroes, in the later part of the eighteenth century, the movement was in the main from urban centers, like Boston and New York in the north, to rural sections in the south.In the second migration, from the south to the north in the early part of the twentieth century, the movement is from rural districts to urban centers.

But from the first appearance of Negroes in America "the color line" has been drawn in both the north and south, with varying degrees of distinctness at different times and places. This was the case in the eighteenth century and it is not less true in the twentieth century.

In a recent article,, under the caption, "Race Prejudice in the North", Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield shows this fact by cantrasting the unfriendly treatment of Negroes by a church "in a large city very near New York" with an incident of more kindly treatment by a church in Tennessee, which fell under his own observation. Speaking upon the general subject, Bishop Thirgieid says:

"The spirit of caste appears to be growing in the north. Members of the Negro and other colored groups are being discriminated against, segregated, cast out, not because they are low and bad but because theyare black. It is an impressive and most encouraging fact that pro gressive women and student groups in the south under the leadership of the Interracial Commission are definitely organized for interracial co-operaion and betterment, for curing evil and educational unequalities and for war against crime of lynching, so that among an ever-widening constituency there often appear a broader spirit of interracial sympathy and tolerance than is found among many white people in the north, who hold unreasoning and utterly unjustifiable prejudices and in their relations to the colored groups and governed by the spirit of caste and even hate. This is manifest not only in community life and school, but in some degree even in the church."

Perpaps "the drawing of the color line" is not a matter of social prejudice so much as it is the inherent disposition of racial consciousness. The wisest and best of negroes draw it in order to preserve their racial integrity. These leaders, followed by the overwhelming majority of their race, prefer churches composed of colored members only, rather than denominations whose membership consist of both whites and blacks. And they are right.

Upon this point the editor of the Presbyterian, of Philadelphia, makes this sensible observation in an editorial entitled "Migration of Negroes:"

"When the number is small, negroes can be cordially welcome and cared for in our churches and Bible schools. We recall several instances when we received colored members into church, and they met all standards and tests. We know of an Episcopal church that, years ago at lesst, had a fine company of negro members among a much larger number of whites. Where the population is large enough, no doubt both whites and blacks may be a bit more comfortable by themselves, not by edict nor necessity, but of choice."

It is perfectly clear that "the color line" is not a matter of prejudice, but of nature and divine ordinance; and that what some call "the race problem" is not sectional, but nation-wide.

The solution of the problem will not be found in criminations and recriminations by the people of the north and south, but by fair judgments of one another and Christian treatment of the negroes in all sections, giving them kindly aid in their religious and educational work as may be needed. They came to this country as involuntary immigrants, brought by the owners and masters of slave-chips, who took them out of the most wretched slavery in Africa and carried them into milder slavery in America.

They are in the United States to stay and they should receive Christian treatment in both the north and the south.

Exchange.

GETS CHAIR AFTER TWO-HOUR TRIAL

HOUSTON, Tex. November 27-Death sentence after a "trial" lasting two hours death out to Barney Lee Ross 23 years old, will be fought by the International Labor Defense and the Young Communist league of this city. These organizations formed an investigating and defense committes and have secured a prominent Houston lawyer to demand a new trial for Ross now facing the elecric chair.

Young Ross was arrested in DanGerville on Nov. 6 on the charge of attacking a white woman, the conventional southern smoke screen for the legal lynching of a Race man. He was railroaded through to a "trial" on Nov. 10 at which the state prosecutor acted lawyer for the defense. Not even a pretense was made at preparing a defense for Ross,the I. L. D. charges. Ross was hastily sentenced to burn in the electric chair on Dec. 18. Lynch spirit has already been aroused and young Ross is being shifted from jail to jail.

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W. H. S. ALUMNI

The attendance of Alumnni at the was not so large as was expected. The decline was due, probably, to the unfvorable weather conditions that existed at that time, which prevented the program, as was outlined at a previous meeting being adhered to.This program and appointment of several committees were postponed until next meeting night, Tuesday December 16th.

The Constitutional Committee will meet Tuesday night, December 8th, at the residence of Prof. T. J. Harris preparatory for a report at next meeting.

The first benefaction of the Association will be presented to-night in the form of a "Progresive Whist-Radio" party, at the home of Prof. and Mrs. T. J. Harris. Your cooperation is expected, support is assured.

ENTERTAIN CHARACTERS

There will be a Social given in honor of all participants of "Promised Land" in the auditorium of Meridian Baptist Seminary, Sunday afternoon at [illegible] P. M. Given by Prof. and Mrs. G. M. Reese.

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Themes From The Fifth Grade English Class Of Wechsler High

(Miss Mattie L. Harkum,Teacher.

How We can beautify our class room

It would be a wonderful thing if we could make our classroom as beautiful as it should be. Each of us really can do many little things that would help.

I think we can make our walls beautiful if we put posters, pictures of great men and maps on them. They will look more life-like. We can bring pot-flowers to put in the windows and spend keeping them watered and growing, so that our windows will be bautifull. We can also hang shades at each window to make our room look more like our home windows. Wecan place a globe of the world in a corner to beautify thecorner and help make our geography leson easier and interesting.We can bring floers for our teacher's desk.

We can make our Cloak-room look better too,by keeping our wraps hung up. We can keep paper off ofthe floor by visiting the waste basket reguarly.

We can keep ourselves neat, our shoes shined, our teeth clean and also our finger nails clean.

We can at all times sit and stand erect.

We can enter our classroom quietly and give our teacher a chance to smile at us and we smile back at her.

When we have done all of these things, we will have a beautiful room beautiful children and a beautiful teacher, because every thing will be done to make a beautiful classroom.

Elsie Wilson, 5th Grade, 10yrs. old.

WORK and PLAY

There are two classes of work. First mental work which deals with the mind of the person. Second , physical work which we do with our hands. Every body should do some kind of work.

Work gives you strength and health. Health gives you power to do anything.

When your mind is satisfied we always have a good spirit to work. Let us do any kind of work that our hands can find to do and let us work willingly fo there is no harm in working.If we don't work some tmes we will suffer for the want of food and clothing. If a person fail to work he or she will form a bad habit as stealing.

Every boy and girl should play a part of every day out of doors. In playing we get exercise that trains our muscles. Playing in the sunshine in fresh air makes us happy and it also helps to keep us well and strong.

Dewey Lee Chandler, 5th Grade, 10 yrs.

GISARD HUNT

You are cordially invited to a chicken gisard hunting, Saturday night at t he home of Mrs Dora Jones B St., 17 Avenue the one that finds the gisard receives the chicken free as a result of his efforts. COME ONE, COME All and get the chicken for your Sunday dinner. Don't forget the date, December 5th.

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Sunday School, 9:30 A. M. A. J. Calloway, Supt.

Preaching 11:00 A. M. in behalf of he B. Y. P. U.

Rev. W. L. Johnson, Pastor.

MARRIED

Rev. Lucius Jackson was married to the daughter of Mrs. Sarah Stephens, Dora Esther, Tuesday evening at 4:30 O'Clock. Rev. W. L. Lee performed the ceremony. There were a few neighbors present to witness the affair.

One-Legged Man Sentenced to Die

SNOW HILL, MD., November 27, Sentence to hang by the neck until he is dead, was passed on Thomas Bloxom by Judge Joseph L. Bailey and Robery F. Duer. Bloxom, who is the one-legged proprietor of a poolroom in Snow Hill, followed Randolph Taylor, shooting and killing him, after Taylor had said he did not have the 50 cents to pay the debt he owed. Three shots were fired at the unfortunate man, one of which missed its mark. The other two shots took effect in Taylor's breast and in his head. It is stated that Bloxom followed the man after he had appeared in front of his store and said he could not pay. The murder occurred on Oct. 25.

Bloxom apparently bore an unsavory reputation, it being said that he served 17 years in Norfolk, Va., for murder, and also had a record in Baltimore county, Maryland, on a minor charge.

When sentence, was passed on Bloxom, he exhibited considerable surprise, as he had openly boasted to the police that he would either go free, or get no more than five years for his crime.

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PRISONER'S LOOSE TONGUE COSTS HIM JUST $5 AND COSTS

ATLANTA, GA., November 27 John Alexander appeared in city court Monday night after being arrested for a Saturday drunken spree. The judge asked Alexander how much his liquor had cost him.

"Fifty cents a pint, replied Alexander, still happy.

"H'm-m-m, that's pretty cheap," mused the judge. "Do you think you could get me some?"

"Sure," replied Alexander with evident alacrity.

"Five dollars and cost" rejoined the court.

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VALIANT MOTHER DIES AFTER HER TWINS ARE BORN

SAN DIEGO, CAL., Novvember 27—Sweet Genevieve and Sweet Marie, twin babies. 4 months old,, in charge of Miss Mary Solomon, matron at the San Diego Children's home, are recipients of a twin's baby buggy.

Their mother, Mrs. Cooper, gave up her life when they came into the world They are incubator babies, having been born a little sooner than they had originally planned for. The father. William Cooper, is a hard-working citizen here, who as a widower has no way to care for them for a few years.

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WAGE FIGHT ON COLOR LINE AT STATE ASYLUM

REP. JENKINS HELPS CITY NURSE

Last September,, Miss Ruth C. Baskin, 3620 Giles Avenue, took the state civil service examination for nurse. 27 she was directed to report to the El-She passed with a high mark. On sept. gin State hospital for duty. When she reported at that institution ,Dr. Charles Read, managing officer of the hospital, took ocassion to warn Miss Baskin that there were no accommadations for a nurse of our Race at that institution and that if she accepted the position she would find herself working under extreme difficulties and requested that she waive her appointment.

Miss Baskin returned to Chicago and related her experience with Dr. Read to State Representative Charles J. Jenkins, firey eloquent member of the assembly from the Third district. Representative Jenkins wired the secretary of the civil service commission , Dean Curry, and insisted that Dr. Read be instructed to obey state civil service rules. Where upon, the following letter was sentby Harry S. Parker, chairman of the state civil service commission, to Dr. Read.

With reference to your requisition under dae of Aug. 8 calling for six registered nurses, wish to advise that we have received a telegram from one of the nurses whom we notified, which read as follows:

"Reported to Dr. Charles Read, managing officer of Elgin State hospital, for instruction as requested for registered nurse. Dr. Read stated that there must be some mistake as there is no position made for a Colored nurse. Awaiting a reply.

"(Signed) Ruth C. Baskin".

The civil service commission takes no recognition regarding race of employees and would therefore request that you assign Miss Baskin to duty as a registered nurse.

Yours very truly,

STATE CIVIL
SERVICE COMMISSION,

(Signed) Harry S. Parker, President.

Mrs. Mabel Shirk, Chicago, member or the commission, when called by Representative Jenkins, also took a decided stand for Mis Baskin in the matter.

Miss Baskin assigned

As a result of the unflinching stand of Representative Jenkins, Miss Baskin returned to the hospital on Aug.29, and was asigned to work. Under civil service laws of the state, Miss Baskin had to serve a three months' probation period before becoming a regular civil service employee. During the probaion period any employee may be discharged without any given reason.

Miss Baskin was assigned to night duty in the contagious disease ward, a dangerous assignment and the least desirable work, but she went about her duties and her services have been excellent, without a complaint on the part of anyone.

Last Thursday, however, she was called to the chief nurse and informed that she had a high blood presure and her resignation wes requested. She again communicated with Representative Jenkins and he calledthe governor's office on long distance. Governor Emmerson's secretary in his absence was told of the situation and Jenkins insisted that Miss Baskin not be made the victum of racial prejudice.

Dr. T. K. Lawless some time ago examined Miss Baskin and found no unusally high blood pressure. Furthermore, Miss Baskin states that the white nurses in the institution were not examined physically.

Representative Jenkins, when interviewed, stated that he hoped that the governor would speak plainly to the authorities about the mater. "There is too much injustice praciced in the administration of our civil service laws in our ciy, sae and nation," said the assemblyman. "Adminstration of the civil service laws should beupon merit and merit alone. Our state commission has been fair in this particular matter, but the authorities at the hospial are seeking to do Miss Baskin an injiustice. A hue and cry was recently made about civil service conditions in Chicago, but suppose members and employees of various commissions were indicted for conspiracy to violate the civil service laws in relation to the way they grade, classify and qualify members of our group?

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Dope Peddler Confesses To Murder Of Two

MAY GO TO CHAIR FOR BRUTAL CRIMES

NEW YORK, NOV.27.— Two murder mysteries which had been listed on the police books as unsolved were cleared up Friday when Oscar Alsten, known to the neighborhood where he lived as "Little Rock," a narcotic peddler, confessed his guilt in both instances.

Alston had been suspected of the murders of Baldin Moralles, 46. 299 E. 103d St., another dope peddler, and Robert White, 229 W. 62d St., also a dope peddler, but police had insufficent evidence to arrest him.

Dinner Party Interrupted

Sunday night Detective Cillmartin and William O'Conner interrupted a dinner party at the home of one of Alsten's friends and invited the dope peddler and two of his friends to accompany them to headquarters.

After an all-night grilling Alsten signed a confession admitting the two murders and later was taken to police headquarters, where he made another confession, After that he secured counsel and refused to talk fgurther. He will be arrainged in homicide court.

The first murder happened in March, 1930, he said. On that occasion he shot Moralies in a rooming house at 223 W. 63d St. and after beating him to death with an iron bar and robbing him of $600, threw his body out of the window. He was assisted by christopher Truell, another dope peddler, he said. He told detectives in a dramatic way how the body was tossed away by he and his friend after they murdered Moralies.

Partner Kills self

Truell was arrested for the crime and while in the Tombs jumped from a third floor cell tier, fatally injuring himself.

The second murder was committed on April 11, 1931., when the prisoner fired five shots into the back of Robert White in a hallway at 229 W. 62d St. He said he did this because White had him arrested for a small debt.

At the time of the death of the latter it was said by many that White was murdered because he had given out valuable information to the Seabury investigators, but the death of the peddler was cleared by Alsten's confession.

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Dear Editor:

Please allow me space to let the many readers of the Weekly Echo know about the progress of the St. Peters A. M. E. Zion Church, 13th St. 35th Avenue. We are glad to say that we are doing fine under the leadership of our newly appointed pastor Rev. A. D. Harper. We are now putting forth every effort to make ready for the Annual Conference which convenes December 9th at Canton,, Mississippi.

There was a musical tea given for the Calvary Baptist Church Sunday November 29th at 3:30 P. M. at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Shaw, who served as hostess, 1221- 31st Avenue.

This affair was well attended and all, seemingly, were well pleased with the program, after which a delicious menu consisting of salmon sandwiches, hot chocolate and jello, along with mints, was served.

The collection was $3.30.

The Red Circle of Calvary Baptist Church, will meet Thursday night,December 3, 1931, at the Church.

Pres. J. B. Timmons,,
Sec'y, V. L. Fikes,,
Inst., H. David.

WECHSLER HIGH TO ISSUE ANNUAL

The Senior Class of Wechsler High School with Miss Zee A. Anderson, sponsor and Mr. W. A. Reed Jr., manager, will get out a year book or annual depiciting the literary and extra curricula activities of the school.

The Class is now working on this project and hope to have the annual, "The Wechsenior" ready for distribution in the early spring.

A section of the book will be set apart for advertisements in order to help to finance the project.

REPORT OF MEMBERS SICK

Mrs. Lou Hollaway of 3207-11th St., is very ill at her residence.

Mrs. Julia Barnette of 14th St., 36 Ave., is doing nicely at her home.

Mr. James Donald of 24th Ave., is very ill.

Mrs. Paralee Rhone is doing nicely at her home on 45th Avenue.

We are glad to know of the speedy recovery of Rev. J. H. Henton of Complete, Mississippi, who was seriously ill recently.

We are sorry to say that one of our faithful members is now residing at Jackson, Mississippi., where he is employed on a local job.

Miss Archie A. Johnson, 3212- 10th St., spent Thanksgiving day with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Radliffe, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Anderson. Miss Johnson enjoyed the social Friday night very much.

Misses Hazel and Eddie Weston, accompanied by Messrs Cook Bolton and Cornelius Brown spent Thanksgiving at Jackson, Mississippi having visited Miss Ollie Mae Weston at Toogaloo College.

During the motor trip which was enjoyed by all and especially Mr. Brown Miss Dorothy Weston had as her guest Mr. D. C. Stienback of Demopolis, Ala.

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to announce that the Sweet Bula Baptist Sunday School, celebrated its 10th Anniversary of the Sunday School. Mr. Hinderson Franklin was master of ceremonies. The program began Thursday night and closed out on the following Sunday night. The program was the best of its kind ever heldl in Piave. Well attended by all of the people of Piave. We have one of the best Sunday Schools in the district.

We have two hundred in Sunday school every Sunday and we all work together to put over our program.

D. L. Leverett, ,Reporter.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

(By Miss Fannie B. Nelson)

Chocolate Fudge Cake

Three eggs, ,one cup of sugar, three fourths cup of flour, one-half teaspoon of Baking powder, pinch of salt, one-half stick of butter, two squares of bitter chocolate, one half cup of nuts. Beat the eggs slightly, add sugar sifted flour and baking powder, butter melted with the chocolate and rest of ingredients. You will note that this recipe does not call for milk. Cook in a shallow pan for 20 or 25 minutes in a very moderate oven. Cut in squares when cool.

PINEAPPLE SKILLET CAKE

One medium sized can of sliced pineapple. 1 1-2 cup brown sugar, 2 tablespoons butter. Melt butter and sugar in skillet. Arrange pineapple in layers, pour over the pineapple the batter of one egg cake(One egg cake for one egg 1-4 cup of butter, 2 cups flour. 1-2 cup of sugar, 2-3 cup milk, 2 teaspoonns baking powder. Serve with a sauce warm made of the pineapple syrup, thickened with one tablespoon butter and one tablespoon of flour. Bake at 375 degrees 35 to 40 minutes. This can be served with whipped cream.

SCALLOPED BANNAS

Five bannas,, 1-4 cup sugar,, 1-2 cup of stale cake crumbs, 1 cup of marshmallows cut in cubes, 1 tablespoon butter, 1-2 cup of milk. Remove the skin of the bannas and cut in 1-4 inch slices. Put a layer of bannas in a greased casserole and sprinkle with sugar, add a layer of cake crumbs and marshmallows; alternate then layers of bannas, cake crumbs and marshmallows. And repeat process until all ingredients are used. Having a layer of cake crumbs on top, dot with butter and pour the milk over it. Bake in a hot oven four —degrees F 20 minutes. Serve hot with lemon sauce.

LEMON SAUCE

Half cup sugar one tablespoon of flour, one cup of boiling water, two tablespoons of lemon juice, 1-4 teaspoon salt, one egg yolk, one tablespoon butter. Mix sugar, flour and salt. Add boiling water and cook until thick stirring constantly. Remove from fire and pour over the beaten egg yolk. Add butter and lemon juice and mix well. Serve hot.

LOVE OF ANGERISE

(By Miss Sarah Mercer)

Continued from last week

SYNOPSIS

Of good parents and family Angerise McCiel was born. She was loved by everyone. Her teachers were very strict on her. And as she began to grow the girls turned from her and her gain was the boys. There was one that she could not get rid of, his name was Wallace Deal.

He began to walk home with her. Soon Angerise fell in love with her and wanted him to meet her mother. Wallace loved Angerise so much that he thought he could persuade Mrs. McCiel to let him call to see her because she did not look right. One day Wallace decided to cal when he arrived Brs. McCiel insulted him and would not let him enter. All the servants rushed to get him. Also her mother because they wanted him to rescue Angerise. Angerise loved Wallace so much that she thought she could not live without him and decided to end it all: but Wallace came to her rescue after he rescued Angerise Mrs. McCiel would not consent for him to even see Angerise. Mrs. McCiel told Angerise that Wallace did not love her and that she was going to try all she could to bring out her wishes. so she decided to invite him to her home.

With the entention of making Angerise lose faith in Wallace

The story so far "Come here Angerise" Mrs. McCiel commanded. "I want you to mail these invitations for me. I am going to have a party and Wallace will be the guest of honor", said Mrs. McCiel. "You don't mean that Wallace will come to the party? It sounds too good to be true. Mother you won't make him unhappy at the party will you?' asked Angerise. Angerise mailed all the invitations. So she decided to phone Wallace and tell him "Hello, may I speak to Wallace?" said Angerise. "This is Wallace speaking, hello beautiful how are you? Did you need help to hang the chairs out last night?" he teased. It was just too beautiful until it reminded me of you, what ! a party? Yes, I will be there with boots on" said Wallace. "You are to be the guest of honor, said Angerise. "Guest of honor, you don't say so. That means I'll get to enter your moher's house doesn't it? Don't be as happy as I am for you'll burst. said Wallace. "Be sure to wear a cosume tonight" said Angerise. Mrs. McCiel did not tell Angerise that she had invited Franz Angerman, and had arranged for a special meeting between them. She had a hostess unknown to her, all day Angerise was busy writing in her diary, when Mrs. McCiel came in her room saying "Why aren't you dressing dear? Don't you know it is now 8:30 O'clock? The guest are beginning to come already. I'll send a maid up to help you. Hurry dear", said Mrs. McCiel. "Yes mother", replied Angerise. She was so happy to think Wallace would be there in a second. Great care was taken with her hair. She had chosen the costume of a Mexican girl. Angerise was so happy until it seemed as if something terrible would happen and ruin it after all. She dressed and had to look in the mirror twice before she could beleive it was really true, and Wallace ,the guest of honor. Gee, that is great she thought. Soon Wallace arrived. He rang the door bell; a lovely woman answered it and invited him in. The beautiful woman with the bewitching eyes must be a stranger or some social leader. She was acting the hostess and seemed so beautiful until he wanted to talk to her. Maybe she is one of Angerise's friends, he thought. So he got up and walked over whereshe was sitting. He did not know how to begin the conversation, so he began by asking "What time would the party begin?" It will be very late I understand", said the hostess. "Want you come over and drive sadness away? Seems like this party is going to be bum. It all depends you" Wallace did not want to be a wet blanket, so he tune in the radio and a beautiful masculine voice thrilled the room with Thru with Love. Mrs McCiel had the maid to put a sleeping powder in Wallace's punch also his cocktail. Sh had arsanged for the hostess to charm Wallace with her all her wits. Wallace loved to dance and he soon asked the hostess to dance. She danced so divine until he soon forgot himself and danced as he never before. When they were on the last dance, the hostess suggesed that they go out and see the moon rise. He wanted to go and didn't want to go it would not be fair to Angerise. When they were out in the garden the hostess asked Wallace did he notice how sweetly the birds were singing that night. 'Why not let us sit in the grass and picture ourselves as two lovers in paradise. This was really her way of winning him over. She talked so softly and sweetly that he did not see any harm in sitting on the grass beside Mrs. McCiel's hostess. When he sat down beside her she lifted her face to him and said 'Dear this is a night for lovers, let's make beleive that we are those lovers. Can you kiss me just one time and say you love me?" "Yes dear, I'll kiss you," and he did. and, he began to sing'I love you so much" . Just then Angerise stepped from behind a rose bush and said, 'So that is the way you feel about her?", "You are a cheater. You cheated me. I don't even want to see you again. Mother was right in what she said you were, and more beside". Wallace tried to explain, but she was gone. He ran after her, but did not catch her. Just as he was in sight of the house he heard a shot, then silence. He waited a while, then he heard Angerise crying. 'mother! MOTHER! speak to me. Please don't leave me, not now", cried Angerise. Mrs. McCiel whispered somethin in Angerise's ear then she turned her face to the wall and Angerise fainted.

What did Mrs. McCiel tell Angerise and who was her slayer, will be reveal in the next issue.

(To be continued)

OVER COME

Make plans to overcome your failures and plan for bigger success.

If some have done you wrong, forget it Always be ready to forgive.

Aim to be good natured and cheerful.

Be ever ready with a smile and a good word for those who need sympathy.

Don't be jealous or envious of others.

If you have an unpleasant opinion of any one keep it to yourself.

Don't display your temper. Don't be sarcastic.

Don't make remarks about others that you would not make to their faces.

Never explain, your friends do not need it and your enemies will not believe you any way.

What I must do is all that concerns me, not what other people think.

By— Miss Fannie I. Morgan

The home of Mr. and Mrs. George Basley was a lovely scene on Monday night, November 23rd, when the latter celebrated her birthday.

Games, music and dancing were enjoyed by 30 guests. Quantities of fal flowers were the lovely flloral embellishments in the rooms.

The dinning table was quite attractive in its decoration of pink and white.

The hostess,s mother, Mrs. Lucy Jones assisted her in entertaining the guests.

Many lovely gifts were presented to the hostess. Those attending were Mesdames Jessie Johnson, Inez Wimberly, Susie Knott, Annie Johnson, Inez Gregory, Octavia Bourdeaux, Silla Thompson, Ruth Wimberly, Viola Deloach Carolyn Bourdeaux, Addie Nall, Bessie Beck, Hannah Hatter, Willie Jones and Hannah Wimberly. Misses Dorthy Lee McClain, Verda Bell Armstrong, Eloise Dandy, Mary Woodards, Lucille Jones, Beatrice Beck and Gladys Brown. Messrs Gideon Beck, Armstead Johnson, Cornelius Brown, Travis Harris, Nelson Wimberly and Albert Nedham.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wilcot, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Lewis, Mrs. Beatrice Lewis and daughter,Fredia, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Odom of Land, Ala. The party motored to Land where they were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Odom. They enjoyed a wonderful turkey dinner. The party returned Thursday night having enjoyed the gracious hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Odom.

Elsie Meadows, Reporter.

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AT THE HOSPITAL

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Matron: Oh, really, I'm so glad to meet you, I'm his mother.

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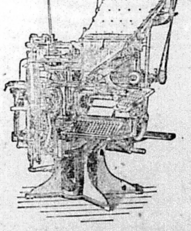

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MEMBER OF INTERRACIAL COMMITTEE BOY SCOUTS

Stanlley A. Harris of New York City, a member of the inter-racial committee, of Boy Scouts of America, accompanied by Chief H. E. Bond, attended a meeting of the Colored Boy Scout Council, Tuesday evening at the H. B. A. Building.

Mr. Harris addressed the meting telling of the high ideals of Scouting and its worth as a character builder—stating that while he was a charter member of the scout movement—having joined a troop sponsered by the British Government— he was more interested in the development of a dependable character rather than the organizing of troops. He expresed himself as being pleased with the Scout Movement among colored people—and said that where ever troops were formed— that sentiment was being developed as a result of the splendid traits being instilled in boys of all races connetced with scouting.

Arrangements are now being made for a Mass Meeting of the colored people of Meridian for Sunday afternoon 2:30 P. M. at the H. B. A. Building at which time Mr. Harris will deliver an address on Scouting to which all adult persons(men and women) are invited. No collection will be taken at this meeting or any subscripions requested.

The Council will meet again Friday night at the H. B. A. Building to perfect plans for this meeting.

THANKSGIVING PROCRAM AT WECHSLER

Thanksgiving at Wechsler was observed with a program presented by a group of young men aspiring for the ministry, and who have organized a class in religious education. This class is composed of eight young men--and is taught by volunteer instructors, who report at the Wechsler school and give instruction in Bible and questions pertaining to church work. The class is composed of the following: Rev. Percy Porter, Willie Leo Cole, David Kirkling, Delma McClain, Lineuant Allen, Mack McGee, Rev. A. L. Dungy, Rev. John Chaney and Miss Callie Morris , Following is the program: Song, 'Count Your Blessings" by school; Scripture, Psalm XCV—Willie Leo Cole; Invocation, Rev. P. Porter; Song, "God will take care of you", School; History of Thanksgiving, David Kirkling;! Paper, "Thanksgiving", Delmar McClain;A Plea for Cripples, Linueant Allen; Offering for Cripples; Song, "Glory To His Name".

After the program Linueant Allen, a member of the eighth grade, made a strong appeal for cooperation with the State Department of Education for Cripples. The collection will be sent to Jackson to aid in rehabilitating cripple chilldren of the state.

Rev. R. L. Young
Box 1048
Meridian, Miss.
Dear Sir:-

I have been reading the Echo for two weeks. I think it is the most wonderful, paper that comes to my county ((Clarke) in the interest of the Negro race.

Please allow me space in the Echo for this piece of poetry if possible.

,Respectfully,
Emma L. Smith.
Route 1 Box 3
Shubuta, Miss.

J. H. SMITH AND HIS CAR

(By Emma L. Smith)

J. H. Smith has a trifling Cheverolet,
He drives both when it's dry and wet
He has a sister they call "Fat Sam,"
For her he does what ever he can.

When he's at home eating peas
He thinks about different things he needs
He has on his car seven lights and keeps the bulbs clean and bright
That boy goes out and comes in.
And you'll be almost hospital bound if you ask him where he has been

J. H. Smith has a triflin Chevolet
He rides in after sun set;
Before too if you want the truth
But he's nothing but a youth.
That boy thinks he's going to Heaven in that car

And will meet his friends at the judgement bar.
When he's in Heaven and the Angels speak
He will say, "My car top leaks"
The half hasn't been told
For J, H. Smith's Cheverolet must roll

Dear Editor:

Please accept this little article. The S. S. G. B. I. Club met and organized at the home of Miss J. B. Timmons, Monday night. The following were elected officers: Miss J. B. Timmons, Pres.; Miss Lillie M. Gerdan, Vice Pres.; Velma Fykes, Secretary. The Club will meet Tuesday, December 1st, 1931, at the home of Miss Gussie Prister.

Margaret Brooks, Reporter.

CHURCH NEW

The following churches constitute the Meridian Circuit:
Rev. P. Butler, Pastor

Bethel A. M. E. Church

930 Sunday School, Bro. Willie Stancil, Supt.
11:00 o'clock Morning Worship.
7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion service is the first Sunday in each month.

Trustee day is the third sunday at 11:00 o'clock.

Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church

9:30 Sunday School.
11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.
7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion day, second sunday in each month. Official board is Monday night after the second sunday in each month.

Lampton Chapel A. M. E. Church

The regular pastoral day the fourth Sunday in each month.

The public is cordially invited to these services in each month.

New Pospect Bap ist Church

9th Avenue and 20th Street Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays.
9:40 Sunday School.
Preaching 11:30 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.
5:30 P. M. B. Y. P. U.
Club each Friday night at different homes.
E. L. WEEKS, Clerk,
C. J. BOYKINS, Pastor.

Haven Chapel M. E. Church

J. M. Shumpert, Pastor.
Sunday School 9:30 A. M.
Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church

The Welcome Corner
13th Avenue and 14th Street.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., R. W. Young, Supt.
Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.
Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor.

31st Avenue Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.
Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.
B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Calvary Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.
Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.
B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.
Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

Sunday School—9:30 A M.
Preaching—11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M.
A. C. E. League—6:30 P. M.
Rev. W. H. Murrell, D. D., Pastor

EL BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

13th Street 30th Avenue

Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.
A. J. Riser, Supt.
Preaching 11:00 a. m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.
Rev. A. L. Perkins, Pastor

PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH

6th St. and 14th Ave.

Sunday School 9:30 a. m.
P. J. Brown, Supt.
Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
B. Y. P. U. at 6:0. p. m.
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Rev. G. C. Wells, Pastor.

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Sunday School, 9:30 A. M., Dr. H. W. Willson, supt.
Morning service 11:00 A. M., Evening service 7:30 P. M.
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FUN AND LAUFTER

HIS PROGRESS

An old Southern planter met one of his former Negroes whom he had not seen for a long time.

"Well, well." said the planter. What are you doing now, Uncle Amos?

"I's preaching de gospel."

"What! You preaching?"

"Yassah, marster, I'se a-preaching."

"Well, well! Do you use notes, Amos?"

"Nossuh. At de fust I use notes, but now I demands de cash."

REGARDING CHICKENS

Senator Money, of Mississippi asked an old man what breed of chickens he considered best, and he replied:

"All kinds has merits. De white ones is de easiest to find; but the black ones is de easiest to hide after you gits 'em."

PREPARED

Georgia Lawyer (to coloredd prisoner) "Well, Ras, so you want me to defend you. Have you any money?"

Ras- "No; but I'se got a mule and a few chickens and a hog or two."

Lawyer-- "Those will do very nicely. Now,, let's see; what do they accuse you of stealling?"

Ras-- "Oh, a mule and a few chickens, and a hog or two".

A DEAD LOCK

Johnny-- "Grandpa,, do lions go to heaven?

Grandpa-- "No, Johnny.

Johnny— "Well, do ministers?"

Grandpa— "Why of course. Why do you ask?"

Johnny— "Well, suppose a lion eats a minister?"

JUST AS HE THOUGHT

A small boy was reciting in geography class. The teacher was trying to teach him the points of the compass.

She explained: "On your right is the east, your left is west, and in front of you is north. Now what is behind you?

The boy studied a moment, and then puckered up his face and bawled: "I knew it. I told ma you'd see the patch in my pants."

THE TEST

"Docs yo' belieb dat Jim Johnson am realy converted?' Deed I does I'se bin visiting his house fo, de last free months an, dey hasn't had a mouthful ob chicken."

REMINSCENT

"What did your wife say when you got home the other night?"

"Not a word. She just sat down at the piano and played 'Tell ME THE OLD OLD, OLD STORY'."

BRIGHT OR LAZY

"Johnny, I don't believe you've studied your geography".

"No. mum; I heard pa say de map of de world was changing every day and I thought I'd wait a few years, till things got settled".

HIS ONLY HOPE

The doctor stood by the bedside and looked gravely down at the sick man.

'I cannot hide from you the fact that you are very ill," he said.

"Is there anyone you would like to see?

"Yes," said the sufferer, faintly.

'Who is it?"

"Another doctor."

SAVED BY A SONG

(Magnolia Elizabeth Sims)

There is music in the word home. To the old it brings a bewitching strain from the harp of memory; to the young it is a reminder to all that is near and dear to them.

Among the many songs we are won't listen to there is not one more, cherished than the touching melody of 'Home Sweet Home".

Will you go back with me a few years dear reader, in the history of the past and traverse in imagination the gay streets and gilded saloons of Paris, that once bright(entre of the World's follies and pleasures? Passing through its splendid thoroughfares is one an Englishman) who left his home and native land to veiw the splendors and enjoy the pleasures of a foreign country. He has beheld with delight its paintings,, its sculpture,and the grand yet graceful proportions of its buildings, and as yielded to the spell of the sweetest muse.

Yet in the midst of his keenest happiness, when he was most over the privileges he possessed temptations assailed him.

Sin was presented to him in one of its most bewitching garbs. He drank wildly and deeply of the intoxicating cup, and his draught brought madness. Reason was overwhelmed and he rushed out, all his scruples over come, careless of the hitherto unknown sea of guilt.

The cold night air lifted the damp locks from his heated brow and swept with soothing touch over his flushed cheeks. Walking on, calmer but noess determined, strains of music from a distance met his ear. Following in the direction the sound indicated, he at length distinguished the words and air. The song was well remembered, it was "Home Sweet Home." Clear and sweet, the voice of some English singer arose and fell on the air in the soft codences of that beloved melody.

Motionless, the wanderer listened till the last note floated away and he could hear nothing but the ceaseless murmur of a great city. Then he turned slowly, with no feeling that his manhood was shamed by the tears which fell as a bright evidence of the power of song. The demon that dwells in the wine had fled, and reason once more asserted her right to control. As the soft strains of "Home sweet Home" had floated to his ear, memory brought up before him his own "Home sweet Home." He saw his gentle mother,, and heard her speak, while honest pride beamed from her eye, of her son in whose nobleness and honor she could always trust; and his heart smote him as he thought how little he deserved such confidence.

He remembered her last words of love and counsel and the tearful farewell of all those dear ones who gladdened that far-away home with their presence. Well he knows their pride in his integrity, and the tide of remorse swept over his spirit as he felt what their sorrow would be. Could they have seen him an hour before. Subdued and repentant, he retraced his steps and with his vow never to taste of the terrible draught that could so excite him to madness was mingled a deep sense of thankfulness for his escape from further degradation.

The influence of home had protected him though the sea rolled between.

None can tell how often the Commission of crime isprevented by such memories if, then the spell of home is so powerful, how important it is to make it pleasant and lovable: Many a time a cheerful home and a smiling face does more to make good men and women than all the learning and eloquence that can be used. It has been said that the sweetest words in our language are Mother, Home sweet Home and heaven;" and one might almost say the word home includes them all; for who can think of home without remembering the gentle mother who santified it by her presence? And is not home the dearest name for Heaven? We think of that better land as a home where brightness will never end in night.

Oh then, may our homes on earth be the centres of all our joys; may they be as green spots in the desert, to which we can retire when weary of the cares and perplexties of life, and drink the clear waters of a love which which we know to be sincere and always unfailing.

Saved by the song "Home Sweet Home."

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Little Cliff Williams, Jr., left for Jackson, Mississippi, Wednesday November 25th, where he will spend the week-end with Mrs. Rena Sims, 717 Bloom Street.

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H. B. A. News

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Dear Editor:

Will you please allow me space in the columns of the well edited Echo to let the many readers know that our local Agent, (Mr. Ames Johnson) of Macon, Mississippi, made a visit to our lodge, No. 389, the fourth Sunday in October (26).

He made some encouraging remarks in our Sunday School along line of our duties as parents, scholars, teachers etc. He also made some wonderful remarks concerning our church work. He said that the church comes first and then comes the H. B. A.

Let me tell you that our agent is a christian gentleman and a true H. B. A. leader, a man of business, a man of knowledge.He is on the job. If we want to make the H. B. A. what it should be, or what we want it to be, and want the door of success to fly wide on its hinges, let the H. B. A in.

I will make this appeal to you, let us follow our leaders, because they know the way.

Prof. James E. Peterson, Reporter.

Dear Editor:-

Please allow me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 77 is doing nice. On November 9th, 1931,, we had an Annual turnout. Lodges No. 77, 202 and 55 cooperated together. All members were dressed in full H. B. A. regalia and marched from the city school to Dubbleys Chapel M. E. church which gave much inspiration to the public. The local program was rendered by members of the different lodges. We had quite a few visitors to take part in the program. Miss Reather May Moody rendered music for the program and was assisted by Miss Eunice Sims,teacher of the city school. Miss Sims is a splendid singer as well as a musician.

A splendid program was rendered and was responded to by our state agent, J. E. Durr. We added seventeen members to our lodge, after which the Rev. T. A. Carter was introduced to preach the annual sermon, which was timely and in its place. After the sermon, the Rev. H. Williams spoke very encouraging with regards to the Association.

The collection amounted to $20. 94.

Agent Durr has been a lot of help to our lodge here in Ellisville. We are striving to make round reports in the December Board. Watch our report.

Yours for the order,
Mrs. Bettie Faulkner, Lodge No. 77,
Mr. Alex Moody, Lodge No. 202,
Mr. A. A. Alford, Lodge No. 55.

WAYNESBORO

Dar Editor:

Please let me say a few words in the paper to let the readers know that lodge No. 378 is yet doing business. We had Rev. J. J. Overstreet with us on the 19th, and he preached a great sermon from the 10th Chapter of Luke.

A wonderful program was rendered. We are asking for the prayers of the entire Association.

Mattie Adams, Reporter.

SHUBUTA

Dear Editor:

This comes to let you know that I enjoy reading the Echo It makes laugh, and it makes me study and think We need to take a thorough man tonic

Take 6 drops of good manners,, 12 ounces of common sense, ten ounces of consideration and one ounce of behavior and boil it down normal and use a little self respect and general behavior and sweeten it with manhood and race pride.

Take nine drops hree times a day before meals and use it with prayer and when praying, use common sense, only asking your needs and leave off your wants, and don't forget to say amen so someone else can pray.

Jennie E. Adams, Pres.

WESSON

Dear Editor:

Please give me space in the Echo to say that our lodge is doing nicely. It is a pleasure to us as well as a duty to do our best for the sick members. We have one sister on the sick list. She is now doing nicely, We are praying for her speedy recovery. We wish to say that Brother Turner visited our lodge and gave us a grand talk along the line of H. B. A. work. We were too glad to have him with us. We pray God's blessings on all the sick.

J. H. Turner, President.
M. L. Brooks, Secretary.

PORTERVILLE

Dear Editor: ,

This comes to let the many readers know that lodge No. 98 lost a good member. Sister Sarah Paige died November 11th. I hope our lost is Heaven's gain.

M. Paige, President.

Dear Editor:

This comes to let the many readers know that lodge No. 125 is getting along fine we are blest in health and have not had many doctor bill to pay this year. I am going to try to make a round report at the board.

R. C.Cole President.

CEMETERY DRIVE A SUCCESS

We wish to thank each one that took a part in the clean-up drive of the cemeteries especially the committees of the churches, that helped to make it a success: Medames Maggie Rimpson, Callie Coleman, G. Blackwell, Viola Burley, Sadie Jones, Martha Richardson Ida M. Henderson and many others whose names do not appear. Also thanking Prof. Harris and Miss E. B. Ivy for sending help for same and Mr. Frank Berry and Mr. Henry Strayhorn for their services that made it possible for us to reach the different cemeteries in the various parts of the city.

Mrs. M. M. Cullum,
Mrs.M. E. Edwards.
Mr. Frank Berry. Chairman.

M. B. S. ALUMNI

On account of the inclemency of the weather there was no meeting of the Central group this week.

All Alumni are requested to be at the Seminary auditorium Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. We are attempting to bring our campaign to a close. There was a partial report on November 15 which profited approximately$29. 50. Let us bring this amount to $75.00 Sunday.

Let every Alumni keep Monday night December 7th open. See what we have in store. All groups please meet Sunday and make final reports and listen to the report of the campus commitee.

The next meeting will be Dec.8th at the home of Mrs. W. C. Baity,1512-28th Avenue.

J. B. Pettus,Reporter.

TRAMPS' CONVENTION

Recent information is that the mayor of Chicago did not allow the Bonafide hobos union of U. S. A. to convene there; but A TRAMPS' CONVENTION will be at the Wechsler High School Monday night December 7, 8:00 P. M.

This Convention comes to Meridian under the auspicies of he Men's Ever—Ready Club of St. Paul, M. E. Church. Be sure you DO NOT miss this unusual, elaborate and trampish affair.

Tickets are now on sale at Mhoon's and Sherrod's Drug Stores, Beal's and Simon's Cafes. Get yours now to be sure.

NEW ALBANY

Rev. Young of Meridian, Miss., preached two inspiring sermons at Hall Chapel C. M. E. Church,, Sunday and Sunday night, November 29, . He was also served tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blacksmith after service Sunday night. Those present were: Rev. and Mrs.Ramsey, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Dillard, Misses R. M. Drewery and H. Ramsey. It was enjoyed by all. An opossum supper was given at the Hall Chapel C. M. E. Church Monday night. Rev. Lane of Ackerman, Miss., and a student of U. C. T. School, New Albany, will preach at New Albany Grove Baptist Church for the Junior Home Mission Tuesday night December 8th.

, Mrs. Ramsey — Miss R.M. Drewey.

UNION HILL SCHOOL

An old fashioned Thanksgiving was celebrated at the Union Hill School, Collinsville, Miss., Thursday Nov. 26th

A short program was rendered which was enjoyed by all. One of the most interesting features of the program, was The Story of the First Thanksgiving told by Little Miss Clydene Lewis of the Second Grade.

A Silver offering was taken for the Mississippi Society for Crippled Children.

Dinner was served picnic style ; Practially all of the food being home raised

This Celebration was witnessed by a large crowd throughout the day.

Refreshments were sold under auspices of the Willing Workers' Club. Proceeds will be used for improvement of the school.

Mrs. A. R. Holton, Teacher.

HEY, STOP, READ — HEED

Are you going to the "Promised Land" given by Mrs. J. P. Reese?

We are glad to say to our many friends that we've succeeded in getting this most wonderful, highly attractive play down at the Union Baptist Church Davis St. and Thirty-eighth Ave.

The date is Thursday night, December the 10th. The time is 8:00 P.M.

You will need to be at the church by 6:30 P. M. to get a seat. All streets lead to UNION on this occasion.

There will be special quarters for the White friends.

Let's see the "Promised Land" with a hope to get there.

Mrs. M. A. Crawford
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NEGRO SCHOOL SITUATION DEPLORABLE

Mobs Kn0w N0t Race N0r Color

Negro School Situation Should Be Of Deep Concern

There seems to be a bad situation connected with the schoolls among Negroes in Meridian. About two years ago a Committee of colored people sent circular letters out to hundreds of white friends of the city, with a hope of being relieved of some embarrasing situations connection with our schools. We are confident that these circular letters meant much along the line of improving some conditions.

Special space was given through the columns of the Meridian Star with regards to the circular letters mailed out to our friends. A large number of white people who seemed to be deeply concerned, and who were not aware of some conditions that existed, wrote letters to the members of the committee expressing their regrets regarding our school situation. Some of our white friends met members of the committee on the streets and in their offices and expressed their desire to help relieve us of some of ou rembarrassing conditions.

SCHOOL LOCATION

It will be rememebered that the East End School is located just back of the the Odd Fellows cemetary on 11th Avenue and 22nd Street. It is one of the most pitiful sites in the city among colored schools to behold, especially whenthe weather is bad. During rainy and muddy weather, it is almost impossible for cars to get with-in two and three blocks of the school. Our children both girls and boys are compelled to get out in the mud and rain and get to the school building as best they can. The same is true of the teachers. It matters not how anxious parents may be to take their children to school in their cars, it matters not how anxious the teachers may desire to ride to school dur- the unfavorable weather, they cannot do it. We sincerely believe that some—thing should be done by those in authority to relieve the colored people of this embarrasing situation.

When one recognizes the fact that if a child or teacher becomes serously Ill or has an accident on a bad day, if that child or teacher is to receive medical attention, he or she will have to be carried in the arms of some one or in a wagon to a section where cars can be reached.

WEST END SCHOOL

The West End School is situated back of the white cemetary and during rainy weather, there is a running stream right back of the school house, as well as under the school building These conditions are not conducive to good health.

When one thinks of the death rate and the poor health of Negroes in our city he will readily see that there s a cause for it. The West End School is sfituated in a very unfavorable muddy section.

SOUTH SIDE SCHOOL

The South Side School is located back of the old Fair—ground not so far from Sowashee Creek .We are not able to convince ourselves that it is any—thing atractive in the location of the South Side School house.

WECHSLER HIGH SCHOOL

Wechsler High School is located on an elevated plain. Of course, the St. and Avenues leading to this Institution are the best we have in the city and are usually very, very bad during the winter months. We sincerely believe that something should be done to better conditions around our school.

WHY LOCATE AS SUCH

The question may be asked why are our schools located in such unfavorable place. That is a question in my mind. Why would these Negro Schools be located in such unfavorable location? It would not seem strange with one out of the four schools being in an unfavorable location, but when we think of the fact that East End, West End and South Side are all poorly located, we wonder why were such blunders made in the location of schools for the intellectual development of youth. We are not exactly in position to give the present status of the school at Savannah Grove, however, we are informed that it is also in a needy condition.

DONE WELL UNDER HANDICAP

When any one take a retrospective view of the past, the circumstances under which the Negro has labored he must condede to the fact that we have done exceptionally wel under these handicaps. How can a child be expected to do a high grade of work having to go to school in mud and rain and at times having to remain out of school, because he is not able to reach the school house.

The East End School for example is of such, that parents are afraid to send their chilldren to school after a big rain for the reason, there is a poorly equipped bridge that spans a big ditch that to really dangeous. Some years ago a child was drowned close to this school building by faling in this ditch.

A MATTER OF DEEP CONCERN

It should be a matter of deep concern to the constiuency of Meridian with regards to the school situation among Negroes in our town. We have poor side walks leading to the schools during bad weather. We have poor Sts. leading to our schools during bad weathter. (Wechsler to some degree excepted). Our children must remain at home when it is raining or go to school and sit in a house, wet and cold for a day or half day.

These are evils that should be corected. The qestion is very often asked now can my brother sit by my side, and see me in distress, in dire need, neglected, forsaken and unnoticed, while he is in "Paradise" so to seak.

East Africa Colony Invaded By Locusts

NAUROBI, East Africa, Dec., 11—The Kenya colony is again suffering from a plague of locusts, which destory crops and play havoc with the entire colony. The insects are thought to have a breeding place in the French Sahara. As yet, although international conferences on how to read the African colonies of this plague have been held in Rome, no adequate remedy has been found. The last scourge of these insects, came in May, 1928, and did not cease until March 1930.

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DISGRACED 13 TIMES

See Chance To Break Up Mob Rule

Nashvile, Tenn., Dec. 11.

An effort of communist enterprise in the South was discerned here Wednesday in the introduction of an antilynching bill into the house of representatives by Representive George Chamlee Jr of Hamilton.

Representative Chamlee is the son of George Chamlee of Chatanooga. Mr. Chamlee of Chattanooga is a layer how has been retained through the interest of the International Labor Defense, a communist organization, to act in behalf of the eight boys sentencedto die at Scotsboro, Ala. for the alleged commission of rape upon two white girls.

The measure introduced by the junior Chamlee provides for the payment by the county of $1,000 to $5,000 of the person lynched, or their dependents, in case of injury or death. For beating or serious injury the victim can recover $1,000 or permanent disability, $5,000 and a like amount to his dependents in case he dies.

While the country would be obligated for damages, it may recover from any member of the mob or may issue a special levy to pay for the lynching.

A mob is described as "a collection of people assembled for an unlawful purpose and intending to do damage or injury to anyone or pretending to exercise correctional power by violence".

Ex. C. D.

The above article is very timely and we hope to see a greater change to break up mob violence. We beleive that it is a step in the right direction for many states to do whatever posible to do away with mob violenee.

But let it be remembered that after all, states cannot legisuature moral conduct into the hearts of men and women Men must be wiling to accept the teaching of Jesus Christ. If they will accept His teaching this will do more toward clearing this great evil than anything else. I believe that counties should be responsible for any man, white or black who is lynched by a mob. I believe that the officals should be held responsible or prisoners who are in charge as officers of the law. I believe that officers of thelaw should see to it that their prisoners, white or black, are protected to the fullest extent of the law Of course we do not want to over emphasize the responsibility of offers of the law We want to emphasize the fact that all want to emphasize the fact that al citizens should be willing to protect the laws of the country. If mobs that are made up from time to time in these different states were willing to let the Master legislature in their hearts, there would be no more mob violence, but men would be willing for the law to take its course.

We would that all states would be willing to take such measures as Tennessee seems to be attempting and we would that all states would be willing to go further than this, in that, all of the constituency of these sates would be willing to accept the "Golden Rule."

Homely Philosophy

GEORGIA DOUGLAS JOHNSON

A HUNCH

A hunch is a suggestion or whispering from within. It says "do this or that." Men who follow these hunches are usually successful and in the lead of affairs. "Something tells me to do this," you say, and usually this guiding voice leads to fortune. Never silence a hunch, but act upon it, for often it is the functioning of your sixth sense your intuition.

Funeral Director Meets Death As His Car Crashes

BALTIMORE, MD., Dec. 11.—Edward W. Stons, successful funeral director of Tampa, Fla., was accidentally killled in an automobile wreck near here Dec. 5. Stone was one of the organizers of the Independent National Funeral Directors association and served as recording secretary. He was also treasurer of the Central Life Insurance company of Tampa. He was buried at Tampa Dec 10. He leaves a widow, Mrs. F. B. Stone, and five children.

R. R. Reed, Chicago, national executive secretary, attended the funeral as representative of the national association. A large number of the southern funeral directors also attended. Stone was one of the organizers of the Florda state association and served as its secretary for five years.

Attention Four Square Club MEMBERS

All members of the 4 Square Club, together with the friends of theWeekly Echo, are asked to meet in the H. B. A. auditorium Tuesday night Dec. 22. at which time all 4 Square Club members wil receive their Xmas bonus.

Boys and girls who have kept their Dues each week will not only receive their Dues, but the Weekly Echo will give them an extra bonus. We are making preparation for a special program on that night.

All churches and pastors are asked to be present. The mothers and fathers of the boys and girls, who are selling papers, are asked to be present on that night. We are going to have several selections, both vocal and instrumental, orations and declamations and addreses by some of the best talent of the city

Watch next week's issue for the program. Mr. Fred Chalmus, circulation manager, will give a general report on what has been done by the boys and girls.

Come out and see what boy or girl has the best record.

The Weekly Echo.

School Tries To Segregate Girl Swimmers

TOLD THEY MUST FORM SEPARATE CLASS

Council Bluffs, Iowa. Dec. 11— Recently there has been formed an elective class n swimming in the public schools of Council Bluffs, Iowa. Among those who submitted their names were some Race girls.

They were given suits as were the others, but when these girls appealed for instructions they were formed into a separate class if they wanted to take the lessons. The matter was brought to the attention of the local N. A. A. C. P., which approached the school authorities on the matter.

The suprintendent of schools invited them to a conference, and hen it developed that thesuperintendent and the director of athletics desired the Race people in the city to graciously accept the proposition of segregation. The committee refused absolutely to entertain such a proposition and asked that the class be thrown open to all, regardless of color, since the expenses of the class were being met by the money raised from taxation of the property of all without regard to Race.

The school authorities would not recede from their position, nor did the iommittee, so the ionferencebroke up after an hour and half of discussion.

Authorities found out first hand that Race citizens would not submit timely to discrimination and segregation in the public schools here. There will probably be another conference and the committee hopes the authorities will realize the justice of the citizens' position.

MOB LYNCHES AND CREMATES HELPLESS HOSPITAL PATIENT,

SALISBURY, MD.,, Dec. 11 Four weeks ago when a mob, twice in one day, attacked Bernard Ades(white), counsel for Orphan Jones, alias Yuel Lee, and his woman secretary, and later drove him from the town of Snow Hill, a protest was sent to Govenor Albert Ritchie and a request for protection for Jones' lawyer. The governor declined to take any action. The city and county authorities would handle the situation, Ritchie asserted.

Governor Ritchie is a Democratic aspirant for the presidential nomination. He is an exponent of the theory of state's right in the form of our government. His attitude toward mob outbreaks, which have recently occured in this state, also seems to indicate that in respect to them he is a believer in local option. Two weeks after Ades was attatacked and protection sought, the governor took the same position in respect to protection for George Davis, who had been arrested for an alleged attack on a white woman. 'Let the country take care of the prisoner," advised the governor.

TAKEN FROM BED

How well the counties aredoing was evidenced here Friday when Matthew Williams was dragged from a bed in the Peninsular General hospital, pulled hrough the streets for three blocks to the courthouse square, hanged over a tree limb by a rope for 20 minutes, then cutdown soaked in gasoline and thrown into a bonfire of boxes to burn until he was crisp.

Williams had confessed killing his white employer, Daniel J. Elliot, wealthy white manufacturer. After shooting the white man to death as the latter was telephoning, he turned the pistol on himself and sent a bullet into his head. But the sellf-in-flicted wound did not kill him. Neither did another shot in the head fired by the 30-year-old son of the slain manufacturer. Williams was taken to the hospital and his wounds were dressed.

When questioned in the hospital by State's Attorney Bailey he is reported to have confesed the shooting and to have given his reason the low wages paid him by Elliot, "He only paid me 15 cents an hour", complained Williams. No official resistance was made to the effort to lynch Wiliams.

Lynching Suggested

It is reported that a small group of white men stood on the corner discussing the shooting of the white man when word reached them that Williams was not dead. One of the men suggested to the others that they lynch him. The others yielded to the sugestion and the small group started out to the hospital,, announcing their intention as they went along. They were joined by others from stores offices and houses along the route. When the group reached the hospital it numbered 300. Six men, the leaders, sought to go in the side entrance. The chief of police and a sheriff's deputy bared their way, so they found a side door and entered through it.They then sought the segregated Race section of the hospital and found Williams, his head almost covered with bandages, The seziure and lynching followed.

The bonfire into which Williams' body was thrown was built on the edge of the section in which most of the Race itizens live: Of the 10,000 persons living in Salisbury, 2,000, or onefifth, are Race people. The population of the country is almost completely American, there being 203 foreign-born whites in Wicomico county, with a total population of 31,229, of which 24,268 are native white and 6,750 are of our Race. . . .

After the lynching the chief of police and te sherif(who was nowhere to be found during the lynching),rounded up all the policemen and deputies they could to prevent further trouble. The Race District was thoroughly policed.

This ylnching, the first in Maryland since 1911, marked the 13th for this year.

Ex. C. D.

EDITOR'S NOTE

The above article, with regards to a mob that attempted to lynch a white person and lynch a Negro, goes on to to show that persons that make up a mob will not only mob and lynch colored people but will lynch and mob white people as well. We sometimes feel that the colored person is the only person who stands in danger of being lynched by a mob, but this is not true. People who form a mob will lynch any body. It matters not what the race creed or color may be. This goes to show that all people should oppose mob violence.

Of course, we know that the Negro will be lynched and mobbed quicker than members of other races for a number of reasons. The Negro being a slave a few years ago is looked upon as an inferior and people who make up mobs feel that Negroes should have less respect and less protection of the law than other races. The Negro has many handicaps.

Some of which he as a race is responsible for. In some sections the white man knows that we, as a race will not register and cannot vote, therefore, we have no voice in governmental affairs.

If the leaders among our people would go to the courthouse and city halls in these different sections and register and help elect some of the officers who hold offices in our towns. We would get more consideration as a race.

There are too many so-called leaders who sit around and complain about the Negro is prohibited from doing this and the other when as a matter of fact, We are handicaps in our way, a lot of the times. There are people of our race who could register and would be permitted to vote if they were not paralized with the old saying"We are not permitted to vote". I do not wish to convey the idea that any of us should go to the Court-Houses or City and make demands on those in authority that we are going to do thus and so or else, but I wish to carry the idea that if we would use common sense, I mean old common "Horse Sense" we can get much more consideration from the white man than we are getting. The white man may be to blame for some of our handicaps, but we cannot place the burden upon him for all of our handicaps and short comings. We should nake up and begin to use the privileges that are granted us. Use them? Yes, they can be used if we have sense enough to do so.

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NEW HOPE NEWS

Club No. 3 of the New Hope Baptist Church will render a program at the Church Sunday 3:00 P. M., December 13th, 1931.

E. G. Evans master of ceremonies.

Song . Congregation; Prayer .. Alfred Drone; Welcome address .. D. V. Johnson; Solo . Mrs. Odie Mae Shaw; Paper . Miss Mary Alice Brown; Remarks-C. T. Tiggs; Solo .. Miss Bertha Brantley; Selection . Good Mission Girls; Reading . Miss Annie Barron; Selection . St. John B. C. Quartett; Solo .. Miss Ethel Noble; Reading .. Mrs. Gossie Prentiss; Saxaphone Solo .. Mr. Eugene Williams; Selec[illegible] —— Loving Sisters; Paper [illegible]ttie Neetles; Solo .. Miss Z. A. Anc[illegible]n; Oration from W. W. I. Club Sel[illegible]n .... Rising Sun Quartett Instrumental Solo . Dewey Shaw.

Mrs. M. L. Simon, President.
, Miss Mary E. B. ,Sec'y.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

There wil be a play presented at the Calvary Baptist Church on December 14th, 1931 at 8:00 O'clock. This play is called "Twice a child", and all characters who are middleage will speak, act, and dress as a child. Come out and enjoy a real treat and learn something of the ladies maiden names that you never knew.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Shaw ,Sponsors.

Miss Legia Mae Murphy was honored with a surprise birthday Monday evening December 7th, at the home of her mother Mrs. L. L. Lewis, 511-5th Street. She received many beautiful gifts from her many friends.

A delicious luncheon was served. Decorations were pink and green. Dancing and card playing were enjoyed by all who attended.

Music was furnished by Misses Arcola Erown and J. V. Hare.

NEW ALBANY, MISS.

On the fifth Sunday in last month Rev. R. L. Young, the pastor of Newell Chapel Church, Meridian, was with Rev. W. R. Ramsey of New Albany, in his last service for the Conference year.

A splendid meeting was held,and the members were doing their best to send their pastor to the Conference with a round report. Rev. Young spent Saturday night in the home of Rev. W. R. Ramsey.

A splendid O'possum dinner was served shortly after Rev. Young arrived. Sunday he, Rev. Ramsey and several others dined in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blacksmith.

MARRIED

Rev. W. R. Ramsey was married to one of the city school teachers of New Albany on November 5th. They are neatly situated in a cozy little home in New Albany.

It was a suprise to Rev. Young to know that Rev. Ramsey was married. He had been in their home practically an hour or more and was fixing to go in to have dinner before Rev. Ramsey informed him of his marriage.

The teacher to whom he is married is said to be one of the finest young women of New Albany. She is a splendid church worker and is a member of the choir. Rev. Young reports that they have not as yet learn what to call each other. Some times he calls her Mrs. Ramsey, and again he says Madam, and again he wonders what to say. Whille Mrs. Ramsey feels around and says Rev. Ramsey or Mr. Ramsey, and sometimes she acts as if she wants to say "honey" Rev. Young noted the fact that it was hard for them to decide on a good name and he advised Mrs. Ramsey to call Rev. Ramsey "Dady," since that was what his wife calls him and he likes it. That did Rev. Ramsey so much good until he wanted to call Mrs. Ramsey "Mama."

NEW ALBANY NEWS

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that Rev. Ramsey, pastor of the C. M. E. Church, has returned from Conference to remain as pastor for the next year. Rev. Marshal, ex-pastor of the M. E. Church has returned to pastor here, after spending a few years in another district. Rev. and Mrs. Ramsey were stormed Saturday night, that is, they were surprised by some of the good people of the C. M. E. Church, with a supply of groceries. Among those were: Mrs. L. Dillard, Mrs. Blacksmith, Mr. and Mrs. Moris and Miss Estel Kilgore.

Miss R .M. Drewery, Reporter.

Mrs. R. L. Young and members of the family are still talking about the Thanhome of Dr. and Mrs. L. F. Brooks. Dr. J. B. F. Shaw, was also a member of the dinner party and all of them 'ate until they could eat no more". Mrs. Brooks planned and served a real Thanksgiving dinner to the delite of al.

LOVE OF ANGERISE

(By Miss Sarah Mercer)

Continued from last week

SYNOPSIS

Of good parents and family Angerise McCiel was born. She was loved by everyone. Her teachers were very strict on her. And as she began to grow the girls turned from her and her gain was the boys. There was one that she could not get rid of, his name was Wallace Deal.

He began to walk home with her. Soon Angerise fell in love with her and wanted him to meet her mother. Wallace loved Angerise so much that he thought he could persuade Mrs. McCiel to let him call to see her because she did not look right. One day Wallace decided to cal when he arrived Brs. McCiel insulted him and would not let him enter. All the servants rushed to get him. Also her mother because they wanted him to rescue Angerise. Angerise loved Wallace so much that she thought she could not live without him and decideed to end it all; but Wallace came to her rescue after he rescued Angerise Mrs. McCiel would not consent for him to even see Angerise. Mrs. McCiel told Angerise that Wallace did not love her and that she was going to try all she could to bring out her wishes, so she decided to invite him to her home. ...

With the entention of making Angerise lose faith in Wallace.

While the hostess was winning Wallace over Mrs. McCiel could think only of the dirty sceeme that she had played on Wallace. Her load was so heavy until she couldn't bear it no longer. Just then she heard Angerise saying to Wallace "You cheat, just to think you wouldn't keep your promise. Mrs McCiel knew she had to tell the truth, so she had the maid to empty the glass that she had the sleeping powders put into to cause a dreadful sleep to fall over Wallace. Slowly she crept into her room, scarched the drawers of her dressing table, but couldn't find the pistol. She decided by ending her life Angerise would never find out she played false to her about Wallace not loving her. Just about the time she gave up looking in the second drawer there lay the pistol shining, looking fit to kill a princess. Mrs. McCiel's mind was firm. So she pressed the pistol to her throat and pulled the trigger, but the bullet passed by and glance into her left arm. Angerise who heard the shot came running to the house; but some how made her way into the garden with the intention of telling Wallace and Angerise the truth, then she fainted. Mrs. McCiel was rushed to a hospital and her wounds were not fatal and the doctor said that she could be out in a day or two. Wallace rang Angerise two and three times daily to offer an explanation, but each time Angerise told the servant that she would not talk to him Could Mrs. McCiel have planned the meeting of him and the hostess Wallace thought. Of course, Angerise never would believe that her mother would do anything of that kind. So Wallace decided to give up the idea of talking to Angerise unless her mother confessed the truth about him not planning or even knowing the hostess. Angerise couldn't think of anyone but Wallace; she couldn't make up her mind that he really loved the hostess, not at first sight. "Your mother wants you Miss McCiel," said the nurse, all kinds of silly thoughts ran through her mind. Could her mother be very ill. Just then the nurse brought her back to herself by saying "snap out of it Miss McCiel, your mother isn't very ill. I think she has something of importance to tell you."

When Angerise reach her mother's bed Mrs. McCiel had her face turned to the window and her gaze was toward the mountains. "Here I am mother," said Angerise. "Sit down dear I have to talk to you before it is too late," said Mrs. McCiel. "Angerise, I planned the meeting of the hostess and Wallace to make you loose confidence in him. I loved you to much to loose you to anyone. I didn't think that you loved him that much, to marry him. I see now that I did wrong." Angerise did not wait for her to finish, walking out of the room she said "Mother you are less than a mother, and [illegible] that Wallace was a cheat. Now that I've go to him and tell him the truth." Mrs. McCiel knew her false-hood had been completely broken up,, so she was happy that Angerise knew the truth. Wallace met Angerise as she walking out of the hospital. She was smiling, but under neath he saw a worried look n her eyes. "Goog morning Angerise,, how is your mother?" he asked. "Good morning yourself," said Angerise." "Are you going to see mother?" "Well I've learned the truth Wallace. "Mother told me everything. How she planned the plot of you and the hostess." So Angerise began to tell him everything her mother had told her. Wallace was so happy until he hugged Angerise right there and they began to talk at once: Asking questions and leaving them unanswered. "Keepmoving this is not no place for necking" said the matron. "Oh! we forgot," said Angerise. "We are leaving now for thecourt house or justice of peace's office." With Wallace's kiss yet burning on her lips, they started to the court house. The ceremonies were simple, only the justice of peace's wife witnessed it. She wished them all the luck in the world. Their plans were made for the honeymoon. Wallace taking Angerise in his arm said "did you hang the stars out to nite for you and me?

I guess the angles are jelous because the stars aren't out. But we have each other and fate has played a strang game upon us. But it didn't kill our love. Let us go and tell your mother, I forgot to tell you she was in the door when the matron ordered us away. As I once said "love will find a way and it has found a way." "Yes dear," said Angerise, but she couldn't say any more because Wallace was raining kisses all over her moth.

THE END.

HAVEN-RUST CLUB

On Thursday December 17th at 8:00 p. m. the following program will be rendered at the home of Mrs. W. L. Mhoon 2707-13th St.

Song—Negro National Anthem
Prayer.
Roll Call—Quotations
Vocal Solo—Mrs. Ruby Green
Reading—Miss Mildred Gaines
Violin Solo— Mr. S. J.Alston
Round Table Discussion—(A) What have been the evils of Wars? (B) What is the present outlook for War as the Manchurian situation.

After the program, a brief rehearshal of "Under Blue Skies" will be held. Mrs. Green has kindly asked that every participant in the play be present.

Every graduate of Haven or Rust in this erea is rightfully a member of the Haven-Rust Club, and we are asking every loyal graduate of Haven and Rust here to come out and show your colors. The club is struggling begging for an opportunity to thrive It will grow thru the support of all its members, or die thru their negligence. You who have not been attending the meeting, are you not interiesed in the act that we who are attending the meeting from night to night are endeavoring to put over a program thru the club that has for its ultimate goal community uplift, inspirition to boys and girls, young men and women whose hope is failing and whose ambition is on the decline. We feel that if we are able to snatch from the rocks some life that is fastly drifting in that direction, if we are instrumental in re-ducting that life and sending it onward in the up ward way, then we shall have done much good for that individual and the community. How about it?

We meet the first and third Thursday night of each month in the basement of the Library. An open invitation is extended to you. Shall you continue to crucify and outcast your own by your absence? Does not a worthy cause move you to thoughts and deeds? Are you willing to stand by while others are sacrificing that a great big aim (such as we have for our motto) shall become a living reality? Will you come and help us? We need your presence, not your support. You connot afford to take the selfish and indifferent stand. You have been changed and life should have a different meaning to you thru self-satisfaction and realization. We extend an invitation to others of the community whose desires are for better ways and conditions to come and meet with us—to come and join hand in this helpful program that must not perish here.

PRESIDENT Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Isreal McKinnis and daughters, Mary Louise and Shirby Jean of Chicago, are here visiting Mrs. McKinnis parent Mr. and Mrs. Ed Burnette of 1414 28th Ave.

The Echo is read by more colored people in Mississippi than any other periodical in the State.

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ARKANSAS BAPTISTS BREACH NOT CLOSED AT CONVENTION

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.,—A definite rift in the state convention of the Arkansas state Baptist progressives was seen when the conference closed here this week with no amenities made between the two opposing factions. The minority faction, headed by Dr. J. P. Johnson, has seceded from the conference, moving its meeting place to another section of the city following the election of officers by the majority faction.

The majority faction was seated in the original conference only after a court order to that effect, so strong was the opposition put up by the minority faction. The bone of contention between the two wings of the Baptist organization was the resolution that the progressives rejoin the conference of the Arkansas state Baptists, from which they reigned 14 years ago.

As part of the proposal that caused the rift was a plan to sell the progressives' school property at Sweet Home, five miles from here, using the proceeds from the sales to help liquidate the debts of the Arkansas State Baptist college, the institution supported by the origional Baptist organization with which the minority wing of the progressives proposed to reunite.

Dr. Johnson's faction, the minority favored the plan, and sought to prevent the seating of any delegates opposing the merger, according to the statement of 109 delegates in their petition to chancery court. Following a lengthly hearing of both sides of the argument, Special Chancellor Elmer Scoggin ruled in favor of the 109 delegates who petitioned, ordering the seating of those delegates in the conference in progress at Steele Memorial church here.

It was then that Dr. Johnson's party removed its sittings to the Mt. Pleasant Baptist church. The majority party elected officers and took complete control of the conference immediately upon the seating of their delegates. At its new meeting place, Dr. Johnson's wing of the progressive Baptists voted to merge with the Arkansas State Baptists.

The Arkansas state Baptists in their session at Helena last Friday indorsed the merger plan advanced by Dr. Johnson and his followers, and recommended that a joint meeting with the progressives be held at the Mt. Zion Baptist church in Little Rock in December. This session would be held to formulate detailed plans for the union of the two Baptist organizations.

Officers elected by the 109 delegates who composed the majority faction of the progressives were as follows: Rev. C. D. Pettaway, Little Rock, president; Rev. B. R. Williams, Altheimer, vice president; Rev. W. M. Hurt, Little Rock, vice president; Rev. A. L. Fowler, Conway, vice president.

A mass meeting, at which members of this group expressed their ideas on the secession of the other faction, was held at Shiloh Baptist church.

At every conference for several years the group of Progressives headed by Dr. Johnson has sought to patch up the difference between the two main Baptist organizasions so that the combined resources of the two groups could be used to back one educational institution better than it is possible to support either of the two under the existing conditions. The plan, thus far, has always been defeated.

This most recent action is climax to the whole argument, and it yet remains to be seen which way the results of it will go. A very stiff fight is expected in December, if, in view of the last action, the majority group will be or can be permitted to sit with the joint session between the progressives and the state Baptists, or whether they will disregard action taken by such a conference.

KILL MERCHANT

PINE BLUFF, Ark., Nov. 27 Pink Morgan, local merchant, was shot and instantly killed here on Wednesday night when he came upon three robbers burglarizing his store on Princeton Pike.

A shotgun was usee in the killing and was found lying beside the body of the slain man by officers investigating the affair. No clew as to the identity of the slayers has been secured by the police.

ISAAC PRINGLE, AN EX SLAVE, TO DELIVER EMANCIPATION ADDRESS AT NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

Thirteen Miles East Of Meridian, January 1st, 1932

The principle Emancipation speeker at New Hope Baptist church, a few miles South of Toomsuba, will be delivered by Mr. Isaac Pringle, an old Exslave. The general public is cordially invited to hear this old, and yet young man, deliver this address.

Mr. Pringle was born May 9th, 1841 and is said to be the first Negro school teacher in the South. Some of the persons, whom he taught years ago, are now living in the city of Meridian. He is 90 years of age. He as active, spry and entergetic as a 35 or 40 year old man. He can walk 8 or 10 miles with any youngster and after he has put up this mileage, he will just be ready for moving. He is the father of 12 children, four girls and 8 boys. Four of his children all boys are now living.

His brother, Revrend Moses Pringle was one of the founders of the C. M. E. Church. There were 13 brothers and sisters in his family. He is the only one who survives. He can read without glasses now. He has never gone to school a day in his life. What he knows he picked it up at night while a young slave. His english and manner of speech is exceptionally good. He states that on one acasion his young master, while peeping through the cracks of the house, saw him reading, rapped on the door, and after Isaac had opened the door his young master asked if he had any books. His reply was "I have a Bible and a blue back Speller." The young master asked him to give him the books and said "Isaac, if I ever catch you with another book in this house, I am going to give you 500 lashes Sir."

Mr. Pringle has neice who lives in Meridian by the name of Ann Sloan, who lives in Georgia Bottom. She is knows by all of the people, both white and colored, as "Grandma." She is 70 odd years old. She is a faithful church worker. She goes to Sunday School every Sunday. She goes to church at least twice every Sunday. She never misses a mid-week service. She goes rain or shine. A large number of people who are much younger than she, very often goes to her home and ask her for help and she says "Through the providence of God she is able to do something for those who are in-need." The Rev. Mose Pringle was her father. He was one of the pastors of the C. M. E. Church.

CHURCH NEW

The following churches constitute the Meridian Circuit:
Rev. P. Butler, Pastor

Bethel A. M. E. Church

930 Sunday School, Bro. Willie Stancil, Supt.

11:00 o'clock Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion service is the first Sunday in each month.

Trustee day is the third sunday at 11:00 o'clock.

Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church

9:30 Sunday School.

11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.

7:30 Evening Worship.

Regular pastoral and communion day, second sunday in each month. Official board is Monday night after the second sunday in each month.

Lampton Chapel A. M. E. Church

The regular pastoral day the fourth Sunday in each month.

The public is cordially invited to these services in each month.

New Pospect Baptist Church

9th Avenue and 20th Street Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays.

9:40 Sunday School.

Preaching 11:30 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

5:30 P. M. B. Y. P. U.

Club each Friday night at different homes.

E. L. WEEKS, Clerk,
C. J. BOYKINS, Pastor.

Haven Chapel M. E. Church

J. M. Shumpert, Pastor.
Sunday School 9:30 A. M.
Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church

The Welcome Corner
13th Avenue and 14th Street.
Sunday School 9:30 A. M., R. W. Young, Supt.
Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.
Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor.

31st Avenue Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.
Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.
B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Calvary Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.
Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.
B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.
Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

Sunday School—9:30 A M.
Preaching—11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M.
A. C. E. League—6:30 P. M.
Rev. W. H. Murrell, D. D., Pastor

EL BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

13th Street 30th Avenue
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A. J. Riser, Supt.
Preaching 11:00 a. m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.
Rev. A. L. Perkins, Pastor

PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH

6th St. and 14th Ave.
Sunday School 9:30 a. m.
P. J. Brown, Supt.
Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
B. Y. P. U. at 6:0. p. m.
P. M. Mitchell, Pres.
Rev. G. C. Wells, Pastor.

ST. PAUL M. E. CHURCH

Sunday School 9:30 a. m.
Preaching 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.
Rev. M. T. J. Howard, Pastor

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School, 9:30 A. M. , Dr. H. W. Willson, supt.
Morning service 11:00 A. M., Evening service 7:30 P. M.
B. Y. P. U. 6:00 P. M. Brother A. Drone, President.
Communion service 1st Sunday in each month.
Rev. W. G. Wilson, Pastor.

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We are very sorry to say that Miss Tillie B. Jones of 1119-34th Avenue was forced to return home from Alcorn College, due to illness. Her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

Miss Geordia Lue Sams of 639-37th Avenue, returned home Thursday from St. Louis, where she spent two months with her cousin, Mrs. Diana Hall. Her return to the city gladened the hearts of her friends especially Oliver Trotter.

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H. B. A. News

FOUR SUCCESSFUL BOARDS

Last Friday closed the fourth successful Board of the H. B. A.. On Tuesday the 1st, we were at Macon, Mississippi, being entertanied by President D. J. Harlan and his good members. It was a rainy day and yet, we were royally entertained.

Martin was present and he sees to it that his guest are treated royally. The General ice President and the stenographer to theSecretary ate only two meals.

One in the morning and one in the afternoon, in other words, breakfast and dinner; while some of the rest were satisfied with one meal.

A glorious time was had with Brother Harlan and his people. The presidents of this Board made splendid reports. The house was crowded. All presidents and members stated that they appreciated the cut from $1.40 to $152.. President Eddie Robsinson made the biggest report at Macon.

MERIDIAN

On Wednesdfy the 2nd, we were in Meridian at our office Building. This was another day of rain and cold weather and yet, the presidents wade a sple ndid showing. A number of the presidents made round reports. Presidents English, Trussel, Cooley and others wer interested in seeing to it that the visitors had plenty to eat. E. F. Young, Jr., made thebiggest report in Meridian. Bro Cole of No. 113 DeKalb, would have led had he been here, but car trouble prevented his arrival before the Board closed.

On Thursday the 3rd, we were at Enterprise with president G. D. Cotton another rainy day . Cotton and his people at Enterprise tried to show out. We had a big time at a new place where the Board has never been. This is a broad field for the H. B. A. President D. L. Harris of Waynesboro made the leading report.

BASSFIELD

Friday the 4th, we were early on our way to Bassfield. This is where the big thing came off. H. B. A. followers from every direction. Willis McLeod and his folks turned things over. It is hard tobeat Willi He is better known as 'Crip". We were favored with a splendid address from one of our white friends, Mr. Puckett of Bassfield. Other addresses were made by Revs. E. B. Brown, pastor of Bassfield, E. B. Blackman, ex-Presiding Elder; Mr. Sampson of the People's Funeral Home, Jackson; Mr. D. Talmadge Webster of the Webster Funeral Home, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Revs. Gray, E. F. and R. L. Young, Messrs W. C. McLeod and J. M. Thompson. This was the biggest and best.

W. C. McLeod made the biggest report at this Board.

ECHO AGENCY

We are pleased to know that Mr. Mordecai Hiler, one of the students attending the High School at New Albany, Missisippi, has accepted the agencyship for the Weekly Echo in his town.

Mr. Hiler is reported to be a splendid young man and it is said that he will make good in selling the Echo in New Albany. We want agents in other towns.

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HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI

December 7, 1931

To the Officers of the H. B. A.:

This is to certify that after careful consideration and being throughly convinced, I am now joining in with the H. B. A. in helping to put over the great program launched in the last convention. I shall be glad tohandle some of your H. B. A. Caskets.

Your friend,
D. Talmadge Webster.

NOTE

Mr. Webster accepted this proposition December 7th and he has handled two H. B. A. Funerals already. Go to it Webster, we are with you one hundred per cent. Mr. Webster of Hatiesburg and Mr. Sampson of Jackson are to meet on halfway ground, between Jack son and Hottiesburg. Mr. Webster will meet the undertakers of Meridian on half way ground between Hattiesburg and Meridian. Sampson will meet the undertakers of Meridian on half way ground between Jackson and Meridian. Webster takes in Wiggins, Gulfport, Biloxi, Richton etc. Turner and Sampson will take care of Crystal Springs, Brook haven etc. Sampson and the Union Burial Association will meet half way in the delta.

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BE CAREFUL

Presidents and members are requested to be particular with regards to health and age condition of applicants. We have two o rthree presidents who are having too many deaths among members who have not been in the H. B. A. but for a short while. We have no right to bring in people who are sick and too old. Look out we are goiog to call some names after while, and something will happen. If you want the Association to live treat it right.

DON'T READ THIS
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A few days ago a number of young ladies were discussing the coming Christmas. All of them desired to have a new pair of shoes. The question was asked, from what store must we purchase our shoes? One lady suggested that a secret vote be taken, when the ballots were counted eight ofthe ten ladies that voted to buy shoes at CUNNINGHAM SHOE STORE. A question was then asked why the CUNNING-HAM SHOE STORE receives such a large number of votes? The answer was MR. JIMMIE CRAMER WILL FIT YOUR SHOES ON YOUR FEET, AND CUNNINGHAM SHOES ARE GOOD.

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(Women Part VI)

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unless a woman is the cause of it.
To remain a woman's ideal, a man
must die a bachelor.

A woman is only a woman, but
A good cigar is a smoke.
Oh, woman, what distraction was
meant mankind when thou wast
made a devil?

Two women planned together make
cold weather,
Trust not a woman, even when she is
dead.
Two things women are supposed to
jump at—
A mouse and an offer to marriage.

To think of all the wrong,
an wretchedness, that's one
foolish baby fare can cause!
Woman has always managed to make
man provide for her. under the upper
hand, she has left all anxiety and
responsibility.

Don't tell me about God having made
such creatures to be companions for
us!
I can't say but he might be
Make live to be a companion for Adam.

PARADISE—There was no cooking to be spoilt, there was noother women to you see what mischief she did as soon cackle with and make mischief; Though asa she'd an opportunity.

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THE -4- SQUARE CLUB PROGRAM

R. R. Conductors Show Kindness

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A few days ago the writer was returning to Meridian from an extended trip in different parts of the state, of which was made by rail-road. We particularly paid attention to the attitude of the conductors toward the Negro passengers. Some of the roads over which we were traveling, had no porters, however, the seven(7) conductors with whom we came in contact were courteous to all of the passengers, as far as I could observe. On a certain railroad an old colored woman, who could hardly walk, got on at a certain stop and the other conductor appeared to be courteous toward her. It pleases the writer very much to know that the conductors on these different railroads, who are always white men, seem to have a disposition to treat the members of our race with courtesy.

G. M. &N. R. R.

It was our privelege to ride over the G. M. & N. R. R, from New Alblany, Mississipi to Meridian. After we had ridden for awhile, there was a change in the crew, as well as I recall, the change was made at Louisville, Mississipi; any way, it had been my privilege to ride over this railroad several times before and with this same condutor. I had noticed the attitude and general deportment of this conductor several times. After riding for a while with this conductor and his porter, the train stopped at a station and took on passengers. After leaving the station and going back in the coach of whites to take up tickets, the conductor came in the coach where several colored people were, all of whom were dressed neatly and nice and looking as if they were gentlemen and ladies. No loud talking or boisterous acts whatever were being carried on in our coach.

The conductor said, while raising his hand with a ten dollar($10.00) bill in it "Have any of you gentlemen got two $5.00 bills for a $10.00?" I was a bit surprised when he asked that question and referred to us as "Gentlemen". I was expecting him to refer to us as "Boys" or "You fellows". One gentlemen gave him two $5.00 bills for a $10.00. After he returned to the other coach I arose and approachedthe porter and asked if the conductor hadn't made a mistake, according to the custom in that he, referred to us as gentlemen. The porter replied "No, no, that is his usual manner. He is very courteous". After a while we made another stop. The conductor came in and asked the porter if he had anyone. The porter said "One lady to Stallo". The conductor went to this lady took up her ticket and replied to the porter "One lady to Stallo". I was surprised again. I thought probably he would have referred to her as "One girl or woman to Stallo". A few minutes the conductor came through and he stopped to talk a bit with hs porter and while talking, he was making gestures with his hand and lightly struck one of the colored passengers' arm with his hand. He turned to this colored passenger with politness and said "Excuse me". I was surprised again. After the conversation was oyer and the conductor had passed on I had quite a chat with the porter about this conductor.

The porter gave him a splendid recommendation.

It is very gratifying to members of our race to know that as we grow older, the white man seems to have more respect for those of us who try to conduct ourselves in the right way and manner. Any of us would be pleased to ride with conductors over any railroad who would treat us with courtesy. I am sure that some of us would be wiling to ride the trains more if we could always find ourselves in a desirable atmosphere and being treated with courtesy.

The white man is not to blame for all of the mal treatment we receive from him, as a mater of fact, there are numbers of us who do not know how to conduct ourselves. Our deportment is not what is should be. In other words a large number of my people are too loud and boisterous. They raise the window and yell out "Good bye Jane you and Sally. Take care of yourselves 'til I see you again". There are many short comings on our part that could be mentioned and when we learn to respect ourselves more other people will respect us more.The Southern white man is helping us and he understands us. We are helping him and we understand him. He is willing to continue helping us and he is intelligent enough to know that he can only rise as he takes his felowman with him.

As we travel over the country on rail way trains, let us be more decent. Let us respect ourselves. Some of us carry too many chickens and pigs and the like in the coaches where people ride There is a special car known as the baggage and express car for chickens, hogs etc.

Again we wish to refer to the conductors as being courteous and especially do we wish to refer to the courtesy on the part of the conductor over the G. M. & N. R. R.

Editor.

M. E. Conference Closes With Gloring Success

The Sixty-fourth Session of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Epispal Church convened at Hattiesburg, Miss., December 9th-13th 1931, in St. Paul M. E. Church with Bishop Robert E. Jones, Presiding. After the devotions Bishop gave the Holy Communion, assisted by the District Superintendents. Bishop Jones warned the brethern in his morning address that a fine of $5.00 would be imposed upon anyone who used the term depression during the Conference. He said crookers and pessimist are dangerous people.

We were welcomed to the hospitalities of Hattiesburg by Attorney Weigle and Dr. Randal, who addressed us in well chosen words with such earnestness and force that we were impressed that we were really welcome.

We were favored with the presence of several general officers and visitors who addressed us on the cause which they represented, to the delight of all present. The session was characterised by the spirit of harmony and good will.

The Interdenominational spirit ran so high that four ministers of other churches joined the ranks of the Conference and received appointments, while others who were seeking admission, were left on the out side.

Two of those received were from the Missionary Baptist Church, one from the A. M. E. Ziion Church and one from the Holiness Church.

Heaven Bound was presented by the St. Paul Church of Hattiesburg to a packsd house. The audience was moved first to joy and then to tears.

Dr. E. M. Jones, Prof. R. H. McAllister and Dr. J. B. F. Shaw addressed us on Pensions and Relief, good literature and Foreign Missions. Dr. Bray of the C. M. E. Church addressed in fraternal vein, and stressed cooperation in Educational matter. The General Conference fever ran high. There were only seventeen in the field and when the balloting was over, L. E. Johnson, A. L. Hollans and D. L. Morgan were elected W. L. Marshall, J. B. F. Shaw and J. S. Williams reserve. Lay-delegates R. H. McAllister, E. W. Hall and McCollins. There were many changes in the appointments. Rev. G. W. Hawkins was appointed District Superintendent of Vicksburg District and Rev. L. E. Johnson Superintendent of Meridian District. Sunday was a high day and Bishop Jones was at his best. After the ordination services of Deacons and Elders he preached a great sermon from the book of Ruth on the subject: The Influence of Home life-Thy people shall be my people, Thy God shall be my God. We were all lifted to esticies of joy and praise.

Bishop Grant Held To Grand Jury

By J. B. Carter

Editor Atlanta Independent:

Please be advised by these lines that the preliminary trial of Bishop R. A. Grant on charge of bastardy, was held at Geneva, Saturday, December 5,1931. The honorable Mr. Williams(?), magistrate, called court to order, and things were soon in working order. The Bishop was presented by an able set of lawyers, Messrs. Ward, ,Boswell firm and one John Adams on the side issue line. Adams, as you know is the fellow from Arizona sent to Alabama to look after the Grant interest and to keep things in line so as to make conviction of Grant an impossibility, in either church or state. A preacher-lawyer he is said to be. Miss Ollie Glass, prosecutrix of Grant for seeking to break his contract with her which binds him to pay the sum of $170.00 per year for ten years to support his child, of which she is he mother, was represented by Messers Mulkey and Mulkey, and by Deputy County Solicitor, Hon. A. A. Smith, Ollie Glass was first to be called to the witness chair and told her story in very graphic terms. Counsel for Grant sought to puncture the testimony of Ollie, but she stuck to that same story that she hes told all the while, and that same story that was told at the church trial (?) at Mobile on the 28th day of last July. When she was through, Bishop Grant was withheld from making any statement at all and the affair was ended by his being adjudged guilty as charged and therefore indicted as charged and the case sent on to the circuit court of Geneva County and Grant placed under a thousand dollar bond to make good his appearance in that court.

Seek Compromise

Madam rumor coming from truthful source tells of the Grant forces seeking a compromise in order: that the Grant group will withdraw their suit in chancery court of this county, through which he sought to break his contract with Ollie Glass: that they will pay in cash at once, the whole balance of $1,700, in keeping with terms of original contract, and pay any additional amount necessary to stop this matter where it is; and will pay all cost oi court. Rev. J. B. Glass, father of Ollie says that it is not money he wants, but that he wants a moral vindication of this matter, first for the sake of his daughter who has mothered a child for the Bishop who presides over him and to whom he must look for his job and the one sent to Alabama as his leader along all lines. Second He wants moral vindication from the charge of Grant that he (Grant) signed the contract for $2,000 under duress, made by Glass. The Grant money will have a hard road to travel to perfect a compromise in this matter. It is understood that outside influences as well as some nearby are at work in the offer of money compromise. Shades of Judas Iscariot, blush for shame. Exchange.

EAST END SCHOOL P. T. A.

The P. T. A. of the East End School will hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday evening December 22, 1931, at which time the following program will be rendered.

Song—Silent Night
Scripture Reading,—Luke 2:1-20
Mrs. Bertha Ashford
Sentence prayer—Led by Mrs. Magnolia Johnson
Song—It came upon the midnight clear
The Christmas story—Mrs. Estella Young
Solo—O Little Town of Bethelehem
Mrs. Francis Eaton
Reading—Mrs. Zantha Rimpson
Trio—The Angels song, Miss Annie Curry Laura Harris and Miss Emma B. Ivy
Business
Social Hour—First game, a popularity contest will be conducted by Miss Nettie Wobbington
The second game will be conducted by Miss Ester D. Thornton
Prizes will be given the ones holding the lucky numbers
Closing song— Joy to the World

All members are asked to be present promply at 3:00 O' Clock.

Mrs. Magnoiia Johnson,Pres.
Mrs. Laura Harris, Secretary.

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in your paper for the publication of our honor roll for the fourth shcolastic month of the Quitman Junior High School:

Pupils are required to make an average of 'A' in literary work, attendance and deportment before they are eligible for the honor roll. The honor roll is as follows:

First Grade:- Lucinda Gilbert, Dorthy Mae Goodwin.
Second Grade:- Christine Brooks, Ida Love Horne.
Fourth Grade:- Herschel D. Cartier, Leola MdRee, Mattie O. Davis.
Fifth Grade:-Audie M. Bonner, Rosevelt McClendon, Emma Evans.
Sixth Gradde:- Willie E. Myles, R. L. Bonner, Annie D. McClendon, James McCree, Cathryne Mullen.
Seventh Grade:- Joseph Reed, Velma Marshall, Alvena Carrie D. Kidd.
Eigth Grade:- Etha C. Kidd, Hearrt T. Chatman.
Senior Class:- Ruth Reed, Mary Alice Brown, Augusta B. Sumrall, Ethel Lee Mullin.

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BISHOP GRANT NOT IN JAIL

Dr. Robinson said to the A. M. E. Preachers' Meeting last Monday: "I want to correct the false statement that has appeared in so many papers, that Bishop Grant was in jail in Birmingham and remained there for six hours **Bishop Grant was not put in jail.** He did not go to jail he was not even arrested except technically. Now here is what happened. The officer came to the conference and sent for Bishop Grant. He came out. The officer told him to arrange bail. Because there were certain laws made less that two months ago wich did not permit cash bond, the Bishop was delayed in getting the bond which had to be fixed over the telephone, in the town where the offence is said to have occorred. It was several hours between the time the Bishop was served with the summons and the time the bond was fixed. But at no time was the Bishop incarcerated. On the contrary he was treated with every courtesy possible by the law authorities, and the people all over Alabama are giving Bishop Grant the greatest ovations I have ever seen given a Bishop."

The Christian Recorder

New Hope and First Enterprise Association

To the 1st, 2nd, New Hope and 1st Enterprise Association.-Owing to financial straits, the Baptist Seminary is actually running on a mere pittance. We are barely collecting enough to buy coal. Teachers are getting nothing and I mean all the word implies. It would be easy if our churches would contribute a trifle each month. In conference with some of our pastors we decided to make our May rally a financial success by asking each and every church, come to the assistance of the school with a donation. Several have agrreed to start now. Revs. Wells, Evans and Howze agreed to raise ten dollars from their charges. Rev. Johnson of Ebenezer and Pleasant Hill agreed to raise $7.00 from his church Rev. Taylor agreed to raise $7.00, Rev Coleman of Calvary $10.00. Deacons Dungy $7.00 from Prospect and Smith $7.00 from Mt. Pleasant, Rev. Witherspoon $7.00 frfom New Canan. We are coming to see you brethren and please do not turn us down. As you promise it will appear in the Echo.

G. M. Reese,Principal.

SHUQULAK NEWS

Shuqualak Methodist Episcopal Church has a new pastor for the coming year, in the person of Rev. I. L. Young.

Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Steve of the Ride Chapel A. M. E. Zion church left last week for the Annual Conference at Canton, Mississippi.

Mr. Dempsey Hill who was living with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lovelyness, died Friday evening December 11th at 6:00 P. M. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. E. D. Harrison, Saturday evening at Harrison Grove Baptist Church and was buried at the Morton Cemetery. A host of children and friends remain to mourn his death.

Mrs. Jennie Perry was entertained a few days ago with her brother and his wife Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Perry from East St. Louis, Illinois.

Four Square Club Program

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BRING YOUR CHILDREN TO SEE SANTA CLAUS;HE WILL BE HERE DRESSED UP

Tuesday night, December 22, 1931—Auditorium of the H. B. A. Building7:00 P. M.

A special invitation to the principals faculties patrons and students of all schools.

Song—Negro National Anthem Congregation
Invocation—
Vocal Solo—Lemond Reese
Reading—A. G. Cranford.
Violin Solo—Dr. W. B. Block
Speech—Robert Lockett
Piano Solo —W. B. Block, Jr.
"What the Echo means to the community—Rev. M. Williams,
Vocal Solo—Mrs. Ada Meadows
Speech—James Ruffin,
Duett—Messrs. Frank Berry and Geo. Gardner
Instrumental Solo—Dr. A. B. Blackwell
Five minutes talk—Rev. M. T. J. Howard
Selection—St. James A. M. E. Church
Five minute talk—Mr. Wm. Sutberry
Solo—Dr. H. W. Wilson.
Reading—Miss Elsie Meadows
Selection—New Era Choir
"Why we should read the Echo—Rev. B. W. Coates
Violin Solo—Geo. Frank Sims
Five minutes talk—Dewey L. Chandler
Instrumental Solo—Mrs. N. Edwards
What I think of the Echo—Rev. W. H. H. Murrell
Duett (Banjo and Guitar) Messrs Vanderbuilt Price and Geo. Miller
Five minute talk—Dr. J. D. Macon
Selection—East End School Faculty Quartett
Five minutes talk—Dr. L. F. Brooks.
Speech—Ramon Greer.
Jubilee—Meridian Baptist Seminary
Five minutes talk—Prof. G. M. Reese
Instrumental Solo—Annie Lois Beck, five years old.
Presentation of Weekly Echo Staff
Selection—Ebernezer Baptist Church
Reading—Miss Sarah Mercer
Trio—Mrs Strayhorn, Messrs H. Strayhorn and D. V. Johnson.
Speech—W. A. Thompson
Selection—Maurice Welch
Presentation of Checks.
Selection—South Side School
Reading—A Naughty Boy, Rhendie Evans.
Solo—E. F. Young, Jr.
Five minutes talk—Rev. J. M. Shumphert.
Selection—Smiling Quartett W. H. S.
SOlo—Mr. Robert Jones, Mrs. Nettie Edwards at the Piano.
Selection—Mt. Zion Baptist Church
Selection—Newell Chapel
What the Echo means to the students and school—Prof. T. J. Harris

The Echo gives employment to several young men. All selections and speeches are to be short and spicy. All churches not listed are welcome to appear. If there are any good quartetts in the city not listed same are welcome to take part on program. All friends are asked to be present. Come early if you want a seat.

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To whom it may concern:- This is to certify that Mr. V. L. Holton is now connected with the Goodwill Printing Company, also the Weekly Echo. He is soliciting printing jobs of all kinds such as business advertisments, social announcements, individual letter heads cards and ads for the Weekly Echo. He will kindly call for your business. Phone 3377 THE WEEKLY ECHO

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EDITORAL

Just one week from to-day is Xmas. There will be many, many people making preparation for the Xmas holidays. A large number of people will be coming to the city as well as going to other cities to spend money for the holidays. It is advisable for all who are going to do shopping, to handle your money carefully. All kinds of people will no doubt be found on the streets during the next few days. Some "Pocket Pickers," some "Pigeon Dropers," some with pitiful mouths and the like. There are some people who are experts along these lines. Don't feel that you can beat the other fellow playing his tricks. You cannot do it. Be aware of all "Trixters," all "Slight of hand workers," "Root doctors" etc. Don't be careless with your pocket books. with your car or belongings. When you are careless and unconcerned and somebody drops the "Pigeon" on you, it not only hurts you, but it hurts others for when you have lost all you have,you will have to beg your friends to help you.

CRITICAL

This is a critical time and critical age in which to beg. There are so many peo ple who are out "beating" their way through the world, that we are almost afraid to trust anybody. If we will only use precaution in all of our transactions it will be better for all of us. These few days the streets will be crowded with strangers whom you know not. Don't be too familiar with them.

We should be careful around our homes. Don't leave your doors open while you are on the back washing, or while you are across the streets visiting your neighbor.

Don't spend too much money for fire crackers. In other words don't burn your money too fast. Remember that while you will have a plenty to eat and burn, there is some poor hungry person who needs help.

Those of us who have cars should drive carefully. Everbody will be in a hurry for the next few days and some of our hurry may be detrimental. Take your time the world was not made in one day. You cannot get rich in one day, whereas, you can easily become poor in one day if you are rich. Some of us are close to the end of the year and yet we may not be able to see the end. Let us take Cod as our guide so that when we shall have reached the end of our journey we will hear the welcome voice saying: "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

COLORED DEMOCRATS PLAY PART IN INAUGURAION OF GOVERNOR LAFFOON

Frankfort, Ky. Dec. 8— That the American Negro is part and parcel of everything American, and rightly so, was greatly demonstrated here today at the inauguration of judge Ruby Laffoon, the successful Democratic candidate for governor of Kentucky. Not only did the colored citizens of Frankfort do their part by contributing their automobiles and decorating their homes and business places in the non-partisan plan to make the inauguration the most elaborate and impressive of all past events, but the race was well represented in the great victory demonstration and colorful inaugural parade by Negro District Democratic organization on the is a large colored population.

The Frankfort Negro Democratic unit was headed by Prof. G. P. Russell, former president of the Kentucky State Industrial College, who was one of the marshals of the day. This group was composed of colored leaders in automobiles, several marchers, a colored orchestra school band and floats. Among those in automobiles was President R. B. Atwood of Kentucky State College. A representative group of colored Democratic leaders came from Louisville, Lexington, Hopkinsville and other points, and were distributed about in different parts of the parade. Outside of Frankfort the largest representation came from Louisville, and they added to the impression made by the Fifth District Democraic organizaion on the more than 10,000 persons who watched the great demonstration. —Among the Louisville representatives were Dr. Maurice Blackburn, Messrs Clark Jefferson, W. E. Johnson, Alex Morris, Len Haley, Chance Morris and several others. Two inaugural affairs were sponsored by local colored Democrat organizations Tuesday night.

QUITMAN

Dear Editor:

Please give me room to say that the Fourth Quarter and last of the Quitman Circuit convened at Mt. Olive Methodist Episcopal Church, November 14th and 15th, with the District Supt., Rev. J. D. Wheaton Presiding. The Rev. Wheaton opened the Conference and gave a wonderful lecture on the problems of the church, and our duty to the program of the church. A good number of officials were present with good reports.

We are proud to say that we paid our District Supt. in full for this quarter and paid Rev. J. M. McRee $40.00 for the month of November. On Sun-

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REV. E. B Blackman of Bassfield, Mississippi, has been elected local president of Harper lodge No. 23 of which Brother Thompson had been president of 23 for many years. Rev. Blackman, a splendid character, succeeds him.

JACUUM THEOLOGY

A colored Baptist was exhorting. "Now, bredden and sitern, come up to de altar an' hab yo' sins washed away'

All came but one man.

"Why, Brudder Jones, don yo' want yo' sins washed away?"

"I done had my sins washed away."

"Yo' has! Where yo' had yo' sins washed away?"

"Ober at de Methodist church."

"Ah, Brudder Jones, yo' ain't been washed; yo' jes' been dry cleaned."

LAUGH AND FEEL BETTER

"Is you gwine ter let dat mule do as he please?" Asked Uncle Ephraim's wife. "Wha's yer will power?" "My will power is alright," he answered. You jest want ter come out here and measure dis here mule's won't power."

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Big Program at the H. B. A. Auditorium Tuesday night, December 22, 1931 at 7:00 o'clock. All preachers who pastor or live in the city are invited to take part on the program. Dont stay away if you fail to see your name on the program. Come on any-how you and your congregation will be called on. Out of town ministers and their congregation are expected to be present. Come and see the Four Square Boys and Girls Receive their Christmas Checks. Is your Boy or Girl a member? We are trying to help you make a Real man or Real Woman out of your Boy or Girl. We teach them to be Thrifty, Industrious, Manly and Honest. Your Boys and Girls are as good as any body's Girl or Boy. Dont be afraid because your face is Black. Be proud of your Blackened Face. It isn't the Color of the skin, but it's the Stuff Within that makes Men Wonder when you step in. We teach your boys and girls not to be knockers for knockersnever win, and winners never knock. We give more of our girls and boys employment than any other Printing concern in the State.

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Some of us have been babies long enough. We have depended upon the white man too long. He is tired of nursing some of us, he wants us to get down and walk some for ourselves. If we want jobs we must make jobs. Who is going to hire your son or daughter when out of school.

The white man is going to care for his house first. He is right. Just think of the jobs the Negro once held in Meridian. Who is on those jobs now? How many Negroes are giving employment to our people? The time has come for us to rise and shine. We use to sing money from the white man's pocket. We use to beg it from his pocket. There was a time we could tickle his "fancy" But he has about quit laughing. Business is what he wants.

Meet us Tuesday Night December 22, 1931 at 7:00 O'clock.

The Weekly Echo

THE JOB MAKER AND JOB GIVER

Religion Wouldn't Open Pocketbooks So Negro Pastor Uses Gun

MOULTRIE, Ga. (INS)— Religion wouldn't open the pocketbooks of his hearers, so the Rev. Nathan Worthy, Negro minister, reached for a gun and collected exactly $11.05.

Worthy, who said he was a preacher, appeared here and was invited to preach at a local church. He said he needed $7.00 and passed the collection plate after delivering a sermon.

When the plate came back empty, Worthy whipped out a big pistol from under the tails of his "clawhammer" coat and waved it at the horrified congregation.

"Look Hyah chillun," he said, "when I say I need seben dollahs, I means I need seben dollahs. Dey ain't nary one o' you brethren or sistern leavin' dis chu'ch until I git dat seben dollahs."

Holding his pistol in his right hand, he passed the collection plate to a deacon and it went the rounds again. When it returned, it contained $11.05. The Rev. Nathan Worthy pocketed his pistol and the money and fled.

BAPTIST MINISTER JOINED METHODIST CONFERENCE

Rev. O. W. Jones, pastor of New Era Baptist church and principal of Hope Well Training school at Collins, Mississippi has joined the Methodist church. He entered the Conference at Hattiesburg, last week under Bishop Robert E. Jones, he was formerly pastor of El Bethel Baptist church of this city. Rev. Jones is stationed at Ellisville, Mississippi with a splendid church, membership and parsonage.

REV. M. J SHERARD JOINS METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. M. J. Sherard former pastor of the New Hope Baptist church, joined the C. M. E. church under Bishop James A. Hamlett last Summer. Rev. Sherard is now pastor of one of the leading churches in Nashville, Tenn.

COMPOSED BY OLIVER TROTTER

Hold your head high Negro man,
Toward East and West
Leave it to the good Lord
He will do the rest.

Times are tight,
But that's alright
Lingle long, but die you must
In God we all must trust.

Times are hard and nothing we can do
But trust in the good Lord and
He will pull you through.

We have so many cheerful good men
They're thinking all the time,
We have such a good race of people
To be left so far behind.

Have faith in God and He will do the rest
I am a Negro boy
And I am willing to do my best,
I will leave it to my race and let it be a test
If we all would pull together,
I know we can do the best.

A CORRECTION

The ministers of the city should have been mentioned in the publication of the clean-up drive of the cemeteries, in a previous issue of the Weekly Echo, which is indeed, regreted. We are expecting your co-operation as this drive will go on once every year. Also thanking each one for his and her donation of food and money for this cause.

Mrs. M. M. Cullum, Mrs. M. S. Edwards and Mr. Frank Berry, Chairman.

Lauderdale County Teachers' Association

Dear Editor:- Please allow me space to let the many readers of the Weekly Echo know how the Lauderdale County Teachers' Association is progressing.

We held our regular monthly meeting November 27th, 1931 at the County Court house.

A special program was rendered which everyone present enjoyed.

Mrs. Butler, our our County Demoustration Agent, was present and delivered an interesting address. We will appreciate visitors at any time and especially, our business men and women.

The program and date of the next meeting will be announced later.

Mrs. Ruby Davis, President,
Mrs. Annie M. Keyes, Secretary.

Meridian Physician Honored

Dr. L. F. Brooks, a well known physician of our city, has been appointed Vice President of the National Medical Association for the state of Mississippi. All Mississippians who are acquainted with Dr. Brooks will feel proud to know that he has been thus honored. Of course, this is nothing strange when we think of the fact, that Dr Brooks is a splendid physician and surgeon; a high churchman with a splendid reputation.

Dr. Brooks was notified of this appointment by Dr. W. G Alexander of Newark, N. J. Dr. Alexander is General Secretary of the National Medical Association.

We understand that Dr. P. M. Murry, President of the National Medical Association appointed Dr. Brooks to this important position and Dr. Murry's appointment was confirmed by the Executive Board of the National Medical Association. The American Medical Association is said to have practically one hundred thousand (100,000) members who are paid up financially.

We appreciate the fact that Dr. Brooks has accepted the office of Vice President of the Medical Association of Mississippi.

Christmas Issue

Next week's issue of the Weekly Echo will be mailed out Thursday morning since Christmas day comes on Friday. All persons who have news to be published in next week's issue are requested to bring it to the office or mail it so it will reach the office not later than Tuesday.

WHITE XMAS

There will be a White Christmas Program rendered at Newell Chapel Sunday December 27th. Mrs. Nettie Edwards, pianist together with members of the choir and church members are making special preparation for one of the biggest programs that has ever been rendered at Newell Chapel. Announcement of the program will be found else where in this issue.

QUITMAN

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day (the following Sunday the Supt. preached a noble sermon, which was enjoyed by all. The Conference was a success spiritually and financially. We are winding up our work for this Conference year, and are striving to make a round report. We gave our pastor, as a token of appreciation for service rendered, a nice suit of clothes for the Annual Conference.

Ora Lee Blakley, Reporter

WANTED

Out of town agents to selll the Weekly Echo in all towns. Liberal commission given. Why not let your boy or girl sell papers in your home town. Your home town folks will be glad to read the Echo. We have several out-of town agents. Send in your name to-day.

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CHURCH NEWS

The following churches constitute the Meridian Circuit:
Rev. P. Butler, Pastor

Bethel A. M. E. Church
930 Sunday School, Bro. Willie Stancil, Supt.
11:00 o'clock Morning Worship.
7:30 Evening Worship.
Regular pastoral and communion service is the first Sunday in each month.
Trustee day is the third sunday at 11:00 o'clock.
Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church
9:30 Sunday School.
11:00 A. M. Morning Worship.
7:30 Evening Worship.
Regular pastoral and communion day, second sunday in each month. Official board is Monday night after the second sunday in each month.

Lampton Chapel A. M. E. Church
The regular pastoral day the fourth Sunday in each month.
The public is cordially invited to these services in each month.

NEW PROSPECT BAPTIST CHURCH
9th Avenue and 20th Street Preaching 2nd and 4th Sundays.
9:40 Sunday School.
Preaching 11:30 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.
5:30 P. M. B. Y. P. U.
Club each Friday night at different homes.
E. L. WEEKS, Clerk,
C. J. BOYKINS, Pastor.

Haven Chapel M. E. Church
J. M. Shumpert, Pastor.
Sunday School 9:30 A. M.
Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church
The Welcome Corner
13th Avenue and 14th Street.
Sunday School 9:30 A. M., R. W. Young, Supt.
Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.
Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor.

31st Avenue Baptist Church
Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.
Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.
B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Calvary Baptist Church.
Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.
Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.
B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.
Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH
Sunday School—9:30 A M.
Preaching—11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M.
A. C. E. League—6:30 P. M.
Rev. W. H. Murrell, D. D., Pastor

EL BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
13th Street 30th Avenue
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.
A. J. Riser, Supt.
Preaching 11:00 a. m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.
Rev. A. L. Perkins, Pastor

PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH
6th St. and 14th Ave.
Sunday School 9:30 a. m.
P. J. Brown, Supt.
Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
B. Y. P. U. at 6:0. p. m.
P. M. Mitchell, Pres.
Rev. G. C. Wells, Pastor.

ST. PAUL M. E. CHURCH
Sunday School 9:30 a. m.
Preaching 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.
Rev. M. T. J. Howard, Pastor

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School, 9:30 A. M., Dr. H. W. Willson, supt.
Morning service 11:00 A. M., Evening service 7:30 P. M.
B. Y. P. U. 6:00 P. M. Brother A. Drone, President.
Communion service 1st Sunday in each month.
Rev. W. G. Wilson, Pastor.

EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
9:30 a. m. Sunday School
A. J. Calaway, Supt.
Preaching 11:30 a. m. 2dn, and 3rd, Sunday.
B. Y. P. U. 5:30 p. m. E. R. Rackley President,
Rev, W. L. Johnson, Paster

Mrs Anner Graham, of Garson, Miss mother of Mrs. R. L. Young is now visiting her daughter Mrs. Young.

Mrs. Graham, has been some what in disposed, but she is improving.

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SPECIAL COLLECTION

A special collection will be taken Snuday night for Rev. S. E. Gibson of Jacson, Mississippi. Some time ago Rev. Gibson had a stroke and he seems to be slowly recovering. All pastors of the South Mississippi Conference are to take a special colection for Rev. Gibson, and send it to him before Christmas. Since Rev. Gibson was pastor of Newell Chapel for six years Rev. Young is urging all members and friend to come out Sunday night prepared to contribute. The names of all persons contributing will be sent to Rev. Gibson with amount collected.

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H. B. A. News

WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space through the columns of the paper to say on November 29th, 1931 I put on what is called an H. B. A. ralley and I had Revs. H. Ray of Desota and T.A. Carter of Ellisville with us. We had a wonderful Sunday School. The devotional services were conducted by J. T. Turner and his president, after which, Rev. Carter ascended the stand and spoke from the 133 Psalms and used for a Text "Behold how good and pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together". The sermon was enjoyed by all present. A colection of $3.75 was raised. The night service was conducted by the Rev. H. Ray. Rev. Ray spoke from the 18th Chapter of Proverbs and the 24 Verse. His Text was "There is a friend who sticketh closer than a brother."

I want to tell the entire Association that Rev. Ray put over a wonderful program. We didn't know that Rev. Ray could preach like he did. A glorious time was had. A collection was taken in the amount of $2.50. We wish to thank all of those who stuck by us so well.

D. L. Harris, Pres.

BILOXI

Sister Mae Dell Williams, formerly a member of the H. B. A. was married to Mr. Cologe Fortenberry November 22nd, 1931. The following participated in the wedding: Emma Dousia, Peter Johnson, Lanetta Lashley, Clement Rankins, Susie Smith, Willie Buie, Cora Fairley, Jerry Owens, Victoria Banks, Fred Burney, Paul Brewins, Willie Mae Terril, Ruth Banks, Willie Cariway, Maddin Rolins, Ethel Mae Hawkins, Rubbie Lee Hawkins, James Pierce. The marriage occured in the Main St. Baptist Church and a great crowd thronged the building. The church was beautifully decorated for the affair. The marriage ceremony was rendered by the pastor of the church,Rev. C. L. Lindsey. We hope she will return to her Lodge 441, Biloxi, Mississippi, V. R. and a good success.

Done by orders of the Eagle Eye Lodge 441, Biloxi, Mississijppi, V. R. Chambers, President.

BOND

To our General President, Secretary, Editor of the Echo and H. B. A. members

We must say hello everybody. This comes to let you know that lodge No. 198 wouldn't take a car for him. He is in members, but we are striving by the help of God to press forward. Our president, Brother J. M Hall is a real H. B. A. He carries no slackers. Lodge 198 wouldn' take a car for him. He is a real booster for the H. B. A. We are going to stand by him. He is trustworthy. We wish to thank the Editor and those in charge for the Weekly Echo. It is a wonderful paper. By the help of the Lord, we are going to stand.

Hurrah, hurrah for the H. B .A.
G. Ramsey, Reporter.

LAWRENCE

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in your wonderful little paper to let the many readers know that we have been in operation four years, and the death angles have not visited our lodge yet. We had our anniversary and the Revs. J. H. Chatman, W. R. Window and C. J. Boykins were present. Prayer was offered by Mrs. M. E. Curry, paper by Mrs. M. E. McConer. Address by Prof. A. C. Drummon, after which the local president, Mrs. Curry led in singing a song. We closed with H. B. A .honors.

Mrs. M. E. Curry, Reporter.

BOND

Dear Editor:

Please give us a little space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 198 is yet moving along nicely. We all are working together for the god of the order. We made a round report in the Convention and almost the same at the Boards. My, my, how we enjoy readng ihe Weekly Echo.

We think it is just fine. We enjoy reading the wonderful articles from time to time by our editor. They all appear to be expedient.

The Burial Deparment is another"Big Star" added in the H. B. A.'s crown.

J. M. Hall, Pres.
E. B. Kennedy, Reporter.

PREPARED FOR INCREASED

"Rastus," said the judge sternly, "You are found guilty of having stolen two chickens from Mrs. Robinson's cook last week. The fine will be five dollars." Smilingly Rastus approached the clerk and laid a ten dollar bill on the desk.

"Yassah, judge," he said.

'So Ah gives you ten bucks which pays me up an' includin' nex' Sattidy night."

PERKINGSTON

Dear Editor:

Please give me space through the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge 337 is few in members, but is doing H. B. A. work. The Lord has smiled on our lodge from its early existence to this present moment. We will soon be two years old and are proud to say that we haven't lost a member by death. We are not boasting of the fact, because we cannot tell when death will call us from labor to reward. It is not our good that we are having such a smooth sail, but it is the goodnes and mercy of the Almighty God.

Pete Bang, President
Mrs. Lula Bangs, Secretary

H. B. A. CORRECTION IN LAST WEEK'S ISSUE

We reported in last week's issue the big H. B. A. "eighteen" when it should have been the big H. B. A."nineteen" by an oversight on our part. Mr. J. F. Chapel, president of lodge 2 reported $66.10.

We are glad to know that Bro. Chapel is a member of the big "nineteen."

WESSON

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in the Weekly Echo to say that lodge 331 is progressing nicely.

Everything is moving along quite well.

Willie Porter, Reporter

KILN

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space to say that lodge No. 396 is moving nicely. We have two new members on file at present to make. We are still moving in the name of the H. B. A.

P. W. Wallace, Reporter

We will mail out the March report blanks the 1st of January. The March Boards will be called early in March. Presidents are urged to make ready for the Boards. You will remember the December Board opened the 1st and closed on the 4th of December. Therefore the March Boards will be called close about the 1st.

Secretary.

GULFPORT

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in your wonderful paper, the Weekly Echo, to let the many readers know that lodge 240 is not dead. She is yet on the road to success. Through this hard time, we are yet on the road. The Lord has blessed us with a good pres. We have the best president in the whole Association. We are proud to say that we owe nobody. She is clear of her debts. We ask the prayers of all christians that the Lord will keep us going on these hard depressed times.

P. W. Wallade, Reporter.

MACON

Dear Editor:

Please give me spasce througn the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that the H. B. A. was seen as a high city on a hill at the grave side of Brother Doll King. Rev. Willis Walker of Meridian and pastor of the Second James Creek M. B. Church, officiated. Text: I have fought a good fight. Subject: "Finished with honor". This was one of the best consolating sermons that I have witnessed. Brother Ike Spoke of King as a member of the church. Prof. Robert Ike spoke of Brother King as a real man and Brother Eddie Robinson spoke of him as a member of the H. B. A.

I was introduced to make a talk touching on the works of the H. B. A. H. B. A. is the talk of the town. Mr. Robinson had a parade with about 80 in the proper regalia, which made a very nice showing.

The funeral was in charge of the H. R Dare Uudertaking Establishment.

Agent Ames Johnson, Reporter.

QUITMAN

Dear Editor:-

This comes to let the many readers know that lodge 173 has lost one of its members in the person of Lila Lott. She was a faithful member to her church and faithful to her lodge as well. We regret very much to loose our sister, but He knows all things.

T. J. Dear, Pres.

All presidents desiring one of the March Boards, please communicate with the office at once.

S. S. G. B. I.

The S. S . G. B I will meet at the home of Miss Ethel Dooley Tuesday night December 22, 1931.

The Red Circle will meet Thursday night December 24, 1931 at the home of Mrs. H. Davis.

, M. Brooks, Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee L. Guy of 1705-30 Avenue announce the birth of a baby boy December 15, 8:15 P. M., whose name is junior. Weight 8¾lbs.

Mrs. Guy was ,Miss Frankie Jack before marriage.

Dr. R. F. Spears was her assistant.

Mrs. A. Smith, her sister, Mrs. Ruth Chester and their families enjoyed a Coon dinner, Sunday after-noon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Edward. 1900 12th Ave., it was quit amazing to know that this was the first Coon they had ever remember eating. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Chester are hoping that they will be invited to another coon dinner soon.

A. L. Y. Reporter.

BASKET BALL

The city Wild Cats, defeated the Meridian Baptist Seminary in two games first 8-6 second 46-12. The city Wild Cats are getting in full bloom and will be ready to challenge any team that think they can play basket ball.

SOUTH SIDE SCHOOL NOTES

The Emergency Club of St. James gram was presented by the teachers and students of the South Side School, Wednesday night, December 16:

Music- Santa's coming; December- A Christmas welcome, Q. M. Coleman; Exercise- Santa's Little Son, R. C. Turner et al; Music- Merry, merry Christmas; Display of Dolls; Recitation- A Greeting to Santa Claus, L. B. Graham; Play- Christmas Stockings; Rec.- On Christmas Eve, Susie V. Warren; Solo- Smiling Through, Bertha Lee Echols; Exercise- Hurrah for December, Vera Cole et al; Reading- A Naughty Vera Cole;Music- Rymes from Mother Goose-land, 1st Grade; Rec.- An Appreciation, Mary Alice Pearson; Rec.- Cradle Hymn, Rendie Everett; Music- The Secret ; Rec.- A Christmas Song, Bertha Lee EChols; Dec.- While Shepherds watched their lfock, Robert Young; Pantomine, Silent Night; Reading- The Christmas Story, Mary Alice Warren; Teachers in charge Miss Lucille Barrett, Miss Ethel Humphrey, assisted by Miss Cozie Stennis. Miss L. E. Emerson, Principal.

Mrs. Florence Johnson of 1726-22 Avenue under went an operation at Anderson's Infirmary Monday and is doing nicely. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Dr. Wm. Fletcher Brown of Chicago is visiting his brother Rev. C. Rush at 20 27-18th Avenue

Miss Argutha M. Brown will arrive December 23 to spend the holidays with parents. She will return to Rust College on December 30.

The Emergency Club of S. James A. M. E. Church met at the parsonage Wednesday evening of last week. The Poppy Drive fostred by the club was a success. During the social hour which followed, the hostess assisted by Mrs. Eva Peterson, served hot chocolate and sandwiches.

Prof. Reese made a flying trip to Forest on last Sunday, in the interest of his pageant, "Promised Land."

While there he worshiped with one of his old students Rev. A. H. Hardeway. He arranged to put on the play in Forest in January date to be announced later.

Mrs. Lillie Lewis gave a Birthday Party for her daughter, Miss Ella Mason on Thursday night, which was enjoyed by all that were present. She served a delicious lunch and ice course.

A friend.

NO NOVELTY

Wifey— "There's an old clothes man at the door".

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Theodore Wilson	10
James Wilson	
Wilburn Meadows	15
Robert Lockett	11
Eugene Coleman	18
Lamond Reese	11
W. A. Thompson	
Ed F. Walker	10
James Ruffin	10
Kinney Beck	10
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The Echo Makes A Formal Take-Off

Retirement of Doctor Dillard

Retirement Of Dr. J. H. Dillard

James H. Dillard came into the life of the American Negro through the instrumentality of Booker T. Washington. Washington had the blood of benefactors in him. In emancipating his own he paled all about him. Dillard is a Virginian and claims fine blood. Washington found him at Tulane, a teacher there and a figure in the life of New Orleans. His background was right and the ground on which he stood was firm. He had said that the Negro was human and that he beleived in his inherent rights as a man. He was no loud speaker, but his convictions found heraldry in the educaional agencies of the new South.

The work of Dr. Dillaard is a record in education. It rises to a statesmanship in the advancement of literacy and is in erasible. While he gave his best to the trust reposed in him by Washington the cause which he served brought him into a bright fame and covered him with a large inilunce. He succeeded in a way, and to a happy degree, the illustrious J. L. M. Curry, the first southerner who came North for ideals and money with which to combat ignorance in the South, black and white.

What Dr. Dillard has done is no sectional achivement. Some other southerner might have done as well as Dr. Dillard. That, however, is a matter of opinion, and we beleive Dillard to be unique and a pioneer. It is improbable that any other southerner could have outdone him as both a great teacher of the people and an example as great in the manliness of finest manhood.

His labors vindicate the judgement of Booker T. Washington, who made but few mistakes n his appraisals of white men and but few just estimates in his appraisals of Colored men. In 1910 Dr. Dillard took on the leadership of the South in the educational endeavor to allay passion and put reason to work in the ministry of good will. As president of Jeannes fund he worked under the counsel of Washington, who took on th chairmanship of the executive committee. The secretary, Robert R. Moton, Washington's successor at Tuskegee ,and our foremost living representative, judge him by any standard, took over the consulship on the death of Washington in 1915. Many changes have shaken the educational policy since Frissell, Armstrong's worthy successor, and Washington, who established his own line, called the Jeannes fund into life.

Dr. Dillard has retired, but he has not wholly finished the task undertaken 21 years ago. His form will remain familiar whereever educators assemble. His voice will still be heard on platform and in the chambers of plan and advice. He will be turned to by the earnest, militant band of southerners who war on ignorance and intolerance in increasing numbers and with vigor bolder and determined. His successor, Arthur D. Wright, is a New Englander-southerner. This fact might justify apprehension upon him, but he comes in the title and upon the recommendation of the company surrounding Dr. Dillard and supporting Dr. Moton. The work is organizedd and its policy sharply defined. The Dillard path is before him. If his heart is right he will plow and plant in the faith of his predecessor. We have confidence in him and confess an expectancy upon his endeavors and his intentions.

Dr. Dillard will live with us and in us. His biographer is our most distinguished historian, Brawley. A new university will bear his name, Dillard, in New Orleans, formed of renowned schools that have coalesced and propose to be one and distinguished in the world of books and the formation of character. As a Virginian Dr. Dillard had a pride of ancestery. As a student he enjoyed the name for scholarship As a teacher he had the fame of the unusual tutor to the sweep of minds. As an educator he had the field of dictum to himself. As a civic leader, New Orleans accepted his authority. But in the books of time and achivements he will be set down his labors for and his associations with the Negro, with whom from Jefferson to the clock's present tale, all great Americans are bound and sealed.

He has the affectionate wishes of millions for a sweet and calm evening in Virginia—God help her.

Chicago Defender

TEACHERS TO MEET

The Lauderdale County Teachers Association will meet at the Court House, Thursday morning December 24th, at 10:00

Each teacher is expected to be present and bring a visitor. The following program will be rendered:

Song—"Jingle Bell—Mrs. Ora D. Smith
Prayer—Mrs. Mary W. Buck.
Song—Mrs. Ruby J. Davis—'Away in a manger.
How-to correlate Reading and English in the Primary Grades—Mrs . Lillie Burns.
Vocal Solo—"Star of the East"—Mrs. Mable Brown.
Problems of the Bad Boys and Girls and how to Face them—Mrs. Angelle Holton.
Quartett—"Silent Night"—Misses Emma V. Hines and Bertha Brantley.
How to make the story hour interesting—Miss Carrye Debruce.
Business—Adjournment.

Program Committees:- Miss Emma V. Hines, Mrs. Lillian Jones and Mrs Arzelia Holton.

Mrs. Rubye J. Davis, President.
Mrs. Annye M. Keves. Secretary

BIRMINGHAM QUARTETT TO sing at Newell Chapel Church Sat. Eve

The Birmingham Chandler's Quaartet is now in the city with Mr. Jas. White as manager. This Quartett will sing at Newell Chapel Church, Saturday night. They have a splendid record as singers. They sang over radio station, WCOC of this city, last night. This being Saturday night, the manager agreed to furnish some excellent music and a small silver offering will be taken at the door.

If you want to feel good, hear these singers Saturday night at 8:00 O'clock. Some of the local church talent will also appear on program. Don't miss this treat. The proceeds will be divided between the singers and the church.

CHRISTMAS ALPHABETICAL RHYME

C—Is for Christ our Savor and bright.
H—Is for heart, give yours to God with all your might.
R—Is for rise. Christ arose from the Grave.
I—Is for Isarel, a people to save.
S—Is for Son-God's gift to the world.
T—Is for talk, we should tell of His love.
M—Is for man, God made him to serve
A—Is for Arm, His arms hold the world.
S—Is for song, the angels did sing unto the shepherds on Bethehem plain

Eliza A. Scott Chambers

NEWELL CHAPEL CHURCH
Christmas Program

There will be a Christmas tree and program rendered by the Sunday School of Newell Chapel Church, Friday night, December 25th. A special program will be in the form of a White Xmas, at which time, the Sunday School will render a pageant (Immanuel.) The choir will sing a Christmas Cantata "His Natal Day."

Your presence is requested.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

I wish to use this method in thanking the many friends local presidents and members for the way that you all have stood by me this year, in helping me to sell as many Tomb Stones as I have.

I wish I could send each of you a personal Christmas Greetings, but I feel that if each of you receive this greeting through the columns of this paper, with as much sincerity as the writer writes it,, will be as seeds sown in good soil.

Since the times are harder this year, than they were last year, I am very glad that you only told me in words, and not in action. I glory in the way that my friends and customers do business.

In 1929 you helped me to sell $750.00 worth of Tomb ctone, 1930 $340.00 and 1931 $1,040.00. Now if we are going to complain let us just talk about it, but when it comes to the volume of business let us do more each year, at least while we are young and strong.

If we are ever to decline in business let it be in our declining age.

With best wishes, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

R. W. Young.

A Letter of Appreciation from White Physician and Wife

Meridian, Mississippi
Dec. 18, 1931

To The Weekly Echo,
2508-5th Street,
City.

Rev. Roy L. Young, Editor:-

We wish to voice our appreciation for your kindness in mailing us, alternately a copy of The Weekly Echo Complimentary. We think it is a splendid achievement and a meritorious effort. We know, too that you will rejoice with us and congratulate Dr. Burt upon his appointment to receive a post-graduate course at Tulane University, beginning early in '32, this at the hands of The Commonwealth Fund of New York.

Wishing you continued success in your undertakings, thanking you for your kindness, we are,

Yours very truly,
Dr and Mrs. Chas. T. Burt.

MARRIAGE

Miss Nannie M. Crawford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Crawford,1722 30th Avenue was quietly married to Mr. Edward Singleton, Saturday December 19th at about 11:30 a. m. The ceremony took place at the Lauderdale County Court House. R. Clay, J. P. , officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Singleton are former graduates of Wechsler High School. During this time, there are many persons sorrow for this marriage, due to personal affection; but we are glad and wish the newly weds much happiness, many years of continued success, such throughts and acts, as well be helpful to humanity.

This marriage was performed some few days previous to the date finally set, which comes as a surprise to the many friends of the popular newly weds.

Children hang up your stocking for Santa Claus is coming to-night.

Program For The Emancipation

For Jan. 1st, 1932 to be held at the H. B. A. Auditorium at 1:30 p.m.

Opening number—America
Meditation by Rev M. Williams, pastor First Congregational Church
Musical Number—
Reading of Emancipation Proclamation by Mr. C. L. Lindsay.
Musical Number—
Echoes from Ex-Slaves
Quartett,—Meridian Baptist Seminary
Remarks—Master of ceremonies.
Negro National Anthem—Congregation
Presentation of the spaker—Prof. T. J. Harris
Emancipation Address—Rev. R. L. Young.
Quartett—Wechsler Hi School
Discussion of Relief Measures and offering

Program Committee—
Revs. R. L. Young, M. Williams and E. F. Young. Prof. G. M. Reese and T. J. Harris. Rev. W. G. Wilson

Rev. B. W. Coates, Chairman
Rev. W. G. Wilson, master of ceremonies .
Mrs. J. P. Reese, Directress of Music.

"A LIE STICKS"
By Miss Magnolia E. Sims

Would you tell a lie for three cents? "No ma'am," answered Harry very promptly.

"For ten cents"?
"No ma'am"
"For a dollar"?
"No ma'am"
"For a hundred dollars"?
"No ma'am
"For a thousand dollars"?

Here Harry was staggered. A thousand dollars looked like such a very big sum. Oh! what lots of things he could buy with a thousand dollars. While he was thinking about it, and trying to make up his mind whether it would pay to tell a lie for a thousand dollars, a boy friend of Harry's cried out: "No ma'am" why not? I asked. Now, mark this boy's answer, and do not forget it. "Because, ma'am" said he, "The lie sticks." When the thousand dollars are all gone and the good things bought with them are all gone too, the lie is there all the same.

Magnolia Elizabeth Sims

EAST END SCHOOL P. T. A.

The P. T. A. of the East End School held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday afternoon, December 22nd, 1931 at 3:00 o'clock. A short program preceded the business session. Mrs Frances Eaton rendered a very beautiful vocal solo.

After the business a delightful social hour was enjoyed. Miss Thornton directed a guessing game. Mrs. Magnolia Johnson won the prize offered in this game, which was a very lovely string of pearls.

Miss Wobbington conducted a popularity contest. Mrs. Mattie Bell was the most popular mother present. She received a camel, which is used for a match holder. Mrs. Bertha Ashford was presented with a set of salt and peper shakers for being the poorest guesser present.

Miss Lorena Sherrod of the West End School and Miss Queen V. Harper of Livington, Alabama, were visitors.

Everyone enjoyed a dainty plate lunch. The meeting adjourned to meet on the fourth Tuesday in Jan. 1932.

Mrs. Magnolia Johnson Pres.
Mrs. Laura Harris, Secretary

BE CAREFUL OF YOUR THOUGHTS

Do not have fearful thoughts
Do not have doubtful thoughts
Do not have failure thoughts
Do not have disease thoughts

But instead have kindly thoughts, charitable thoughts, healthy thoughts, loving thoughts, successful thoughts and joyful thoughts.

By this mean you will bring sunshine and gladness, while the hate thoughts bring sadness and shadows.

Be one of the helpers of the world and try to lighten the burdens of others
Our thoughts bring our success.
"He who dares assert the I."
May calmly wait, while hurry fate, meets his demands with sure supply.
Your creator wants you to succeed.
He placed no limitations on you.
He has placed you in no environment you cannot rise out of.
Your birth-right is riches, happiness and freedom, and if they are not yours it is because instead of thinking of them you have thought of the opposite, and have attracted to yourself poverty and slavery and wretchedness.

It is imposible for you to do anything when you don't think you can.

There is nothng impossible when you think you can. How can you expect to succeed as long as you think, talk, and act like a failure?

Forget, there is any such word as "Can't and "Fate" and Doubt". I can think of nothing so harmful to your success as to think you are weak; and lack o ability The big mass of failure is caused by people doubting their ability

Doubt is an associate of misfortune.

Miss Fannie I Morgan

THE M. B. CHAPTER NO. 8

The M. B. Chapter No. 8 of the National Association of Negro war vetrans met in regular bi-monthly session on Tuesday evening, after routine matters were taken care of, a final report of the tag day committee was made. Their report was very pleasing to all present. A sample basket was then presented to the chapter for their inspection. Everyone was happy to see such a large variety of choice groceries in large enough amounts to last a family of three or four at least one week. Five pounds of bacon, 2pounds rice, 2 pounds peas, 6 pounds flour, 5 pounds meal, 2 pounds sugar, 2pounds lard (pure) with one or two other articles of fancy groceries go to make up these baskets. Thirty-five of them will be distributed on Christmas morning to needy families throughout the city.

A request was read from Mrs. Abbie Moore who is seriously ill. The Chapter gave two bolts of gauze for her sick room needs.

The members feel they have the best Chapter in the state. It is officiated by some of our best young men and it is seeking to serve the people who need its service. It is seeking to enroll in its membership all ex-service men of Meridian and Lauderdale County. So come on buddies lets come in 100%

IN LOVING MEMORY OF ANDREW WILLIAMS

Who parted this life December 19, 1930
Gone is the face we loved so dear,
Silent is the voice we loved to hear.

Too far away for sight or speech.
But not too far for thoughts to reach
Home is where we miss you.
Tears of sorrow often flow.
Though you died one year ago.
Sadly missed by heart-broken,
Wife R. C. Williams and children.

The Echo Makes Formal Take-Off

After taxing around for four months on the field of "local opinion", the "Weekly Echo" successfully took to the sky-line of universal acceptance, Tuesday night, when a great program was rendered, featuring the staff, ,and circulators, as well as a literary exhibit composed of recitations, readings and musical numbers, at the H. B. A. auditorium. The policy of the Weekly Echo is to circulate news and feature articles which are characteristic of common sense and culture. It carries problems of a more serious nature, as well as recreational matter.Ocassionally, the Editor cracks a joke on some "Oldtimey" Negro which lifts the strain while we read. All people do not read a news paper for the same purpose. One would be surprised to know how many people daily read the Comedian stories and nothing more.

People who pay Weekly subscriptions for daily papers, are not seldom found who know only Hambone's meditation, Tillie The Toiler, Maggie and Jiggs etc.

Nevertheless, the paper which does not by its contents interest all classes of (people) readers, is a failure.

Our paper has spent four months taxi-ing around discovering the people: Now it goes, ready for bigger and better service.

The more important exhibit of the formal take-off Tuesday night, was the presentation to a large and enthusiastic congregation. The circulation manager, Mr. Fred Chalmus, and his team of hustling boys, and Miss Sarah Mercer who made a 5,0000 circulation of the Echo practically true during a short period.

The Editor's scheme of "Thrift" for the paper sellers was just the thing. He, the Editor, is truly a double-vision leader. Two dozen boys have a little Xmas change, who wouldn't have had a penny, but for the "Four Square Club". When small boys are successfully taught, how easy it is to save money, it will be a hard job to find a man 25 years from to-day who does not have a bank account.

The impressions received in childhood are lasting. The Weekly Echo is now easily seen to be a Race paper. It stands for "All men up and no men down".

By encouraging boys to save what was theirs by honest effort, it is now the sole means or cause of many smiles, and happy reflections of the toilsome hours spent by the boys to sell the paper.

See! boys it is easy to save money for a time when you most need it. Then stick to the Echo, don't give up. To-day you fail; tomorrow you succeed.

So if at first you don't succeed, just keep on "sucking and sucking" until you do succeed.

Rev. W. G.Wilson, Pastor New Hope Baptist Church.

CHRISTMAS PLAY GIVEN

There will be a Christmas play given at St. James A. M. E. Church, Thursday night December 24, 1931 at 8:00 o'clock. There will be a Christmas Tree given for the Sunday School pupils. No admission. Come out and have the good time of your life.

Committee: Miss L. M. Murphey
Miss L. B. Cranford, H. W. Kelly, Supt

There will be a "Passion Play" given at Rose Hill M. E. Church,, January 1, 1932 by the American Woodman Quartett. A small admission will be charged.

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EDITORAL

A merry, merry Christmas to the readers of the Echo. Thousand of people enter upon this day with joy and happiness, a satisfactory mind with pleasures of life which are at their command. While others enter into this day with sorrowful minds and broken hearts. Some are hungry, some are barefooted with no clothes to wear and some in poverty in the truest sense of the word; while others have a plenty and some to spare. Let us ever be mindful of the responsibility that rests upon us. We hope for all of our readers a merry Xmas. and a happy New Year. The past year is now history. All that has been done, right or wrong, cannot be corrected. May we go forth with our eyes set toward the coming of another year, '32. Let us go forth singing the song of Phillip Dodridge. Remember that nineteen hundred and thirty-one years ago, there was a glad sound of the coming of the blessed Savior of the world.

Hark, the glad sound the Saviour comes, The Saviour promised long Let every heart pre-pare a throne, and every voice a song.

He comes, the prisoner to release, In Satan's bondage held, The gates of brass before him burst, The iron fetters yield.

He comes, from ticket films of voice to clear the mental ray, And on the eyes oppressed with night, To pour celestial day.

He comes, the broken heart to bind, The wounded soul to cure, And, with the treasures of his grace, To enrich the humble poor.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace, Thy welcome shall proclaim; And heaven's eternal arches ring with Thy beloved name.

The Wondering Old Lady

(By Miss Luellen Hardaway)

One morning before Christmas Eve there was an old lady with silver hair and face worn with age, named Mrs. Field. She didn't have anything to eat, and was going from house to house asking for bread.

Finally she walked upon a litle boy carrying his grandmother some dinner. She asked him what was his name, and who were his parents. The little boy told the old lady exactly what she asked for. Mrs. Field asked the little boy to give her a piece of bread out of the basket and he did.

The old lady walked on further and met a lady by the name of Mrs. Brown, then she began to relate her story about her lost son, that had been gone from home many years. After she had told Mrs. Brown her sorrowful story, she gave the old lady 50c and told her to buy herself something to eat with the money.

After this money had given out, she began to worry again, because she didn't have anything to buy food or clothing. Sitting down thinking one day, she wrote a letter where her son used to live, but it was all in vain. She didn't receive an answer. Christmas Eve she was out walking wondering where her dinner for Christmas would come from. She met Mrs. Brown again. Mrs. Brown gave her the address of her long lost son, and some money to send a telegram to him.

Mr. Field, the old lady's son, was astonished to receive a telegram from his mother because he had heard that she was dead, and he began to get ready right then and there. He left his home in Chicago Christmas Eve and he arrived on Xmas morning. His mother didn't have to worry anymore. Because her long lost son was there able to give her a hearty Xmas dinner.

General Fund Drive

SPONSORED BY LOCAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEWELL CHAPEL C. M. E. CHURCH

To the members of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church: The Missionary society of our church, at the request of our pastor, Rev. R. L. Young is making a strong effort to raise every dollar of our General Fund on Watch night which will be Thursday December 31st. We have appointed the following persons to call on you for $1.00 on or before that date. The person who collects the highest amount, will be considered the smartest "Bee" in the church:

Mesdames C. A. Leach, Lillie Ree Young, Pinkie Foster, Estella Youny, A. Jackson, A. F. Steward, Valonia Cole, Lula Jones, C. J. Roberson, Lucindia Carter, A. L. Smith, Lucy Curry, Julia, Payton, Emma Warbington and Ethel Young.

Misses Minnie Cole and Lenora Young. Messrs Jas. S. Redmond and T. C. Miller.

We have at least one hundred and twenty five members on roll and we want each member to pay up in full.

We hope for yoy a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs. Arthenia Steward, Pres.

Meaning of Christmas

By A. EVANS

Christmas comes again with its wonderful, beautiful story of the Infant Christ. It comes to a troubled and distacted world, which sadly needs The Christmas Gospel and the Christmas Spirit.

Of all the Incidents which surround the Birth of Jesus, none is more wonderful nor more beautiful than the Story of the Wise men from the East who came to Jerusalem saying, where is He that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and are come to worship Him.

Then to us Christmas should mean more than just a holiday, a time for festivety and Merry Making. Christmas should mean a time for doing good no matter how little in the great world of misfortune and suffering.

Christmas should mean a splendid chance to bring happiness to some less fortunate person for it is "More blessed to give than to receive." "It is not what we give; but what we share, for the gift without the giver is bare."

Mrs. Calanthia Pickins and chrildrens of this city left Tuesday after-noon for Gulfport, Miss. where she and the children will spend the winter with her husband Mr. Robert Pickens.

THE FOOLISH CORNER

PART VIII

MATRIMONY

The high sea for which no compass has yet been invented.

Death itself, to the reflecting man, is less serious than woman.

Metromony is like an overwhelming dose of brandy and water; it is a misfortune into which man easily falls, and from which he finds it remarkably difficult to extricate himself.

O marriage! Marriage. what a curse is thine!

Is not marriage an open question when world that such as are in the institu- it is alleged from the beginning of the tion Wish to get out and such as are in wish to get in?

The reason why so few marriages are happy is because young ladies spend their time making nets, not in making cages.

Marriage is the butching post on the road of life.

Marriage is so unlike everything else. There is something even awful in the nearness it brings.

Marriage from love, like vinegar from wine.

A sad, sour, sober beverage marriage is a raffle, not a lottery.

One man gets the prize, while the other gets the shake.

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MARRIAGE

We are glad to announce that Mr. Edward Atkinson and Miss Bertha Walker were joined together in Holy Wedlock December 21. We hope for them a smooth sail and much happiness.

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Greetings

NEWELL CHAPEL C. M. E. CHURCH

Good morning folks! Xmas Give! The pastor and members of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church, bring to you greetings on this happy Xmas day. We hope for all a Merry Christmas.

INVITATION

We wish to extend to the members and friends of our church, an invitation to be present Friday night, December 25th, at the church to witness a Sunday School program. Bring your children and let them enjoy themselves. There will be a Christmas program rendered is the main auditorium, after which, the Sunday School Supt., Mr. R. W. Young, will entertain you with a splendid Christmas tree in the basement of the church. Come and have a big time.

SUNDAY EVENING AT 7:30

Another invitation is extended to you Sunday evening, 7:30, December 27th, at which time, there will be a White Christmas program rendered at the church, sponsored by Mrs. Nettie M. Edwards. This will be one of the most eventful happenings in the history of Newell Chapel Church. Don't miss these programs.

WATCH NIGHT

There is a General Fund Drive now on, sponsored by the Missionary Society of Newell Chapel, Mrs. Arthenia Steward, president. Twenty (20) captains are now working, known as the "Busy Bees." All members are urged to pay their General Funds on Watch Night, We expect to have a crowded house on that night. Nothing but sickness or death will be considered an excuse. Annourcements of this program will be found elsewhere in this issue.

GREETINGS:

To the many, many friends who are too numerous to mention, we bring to you Happy Greetings on this beautiful Christmas day. We are not unmindful of the fact that you have stood by us during the past year. You have given us your unstinted support and you have helped us to make the impossible possible. It was through the co-operation of you, our friends, that we have been able to faithfully serve you.

We have done our best to render an impartial service. We have done our best to be square and fair with all mankind If there were short comings on our parts, it was an error of the head and not of the heart. We sincerely hope that the benedictions of our Heavenly Father will abide with you doing these Holidays and that His watchful eye will always be present with you to protect you from danger seen and unseen.

We solicit your unstinted support in the future as has been our pleasure to have in the past. By your help, we shall be able to render a more efficient service. It is our motto to have a first-class service station on our lot. Not a service station for the purpose of obtaining gas, oil, washing, greasing and accessories, but a service station for the purpose of helping mankind from whatever angle necessary. Again our service station solicits your support.

The Goodwill Printing Company,
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The Non Partisan Convention

BY KELLY MILLER

The Race-wide conference recently held in Washington is often referred to as the "DePriest conference." The [illegible] was the chief sponsor, and issued the call over his own signature, under the advice of the original committee, which suggested this procedure. There was absolutely no partiality in the selection of delegates. Invitations were sent to the various groups and published widely throughout the press without any thought of personal attitude or relationship.

The spontaneous enthusiasm with Congressman Oscar DePriest was acclaimed was unstaged and unsolicited, but merely the reward of merit, according to the 179 delegates, with no dissenting voice Mr. DePriest wac accorded only the leadership which he had achived.

Petty jealousy among our leaders is the besetting sin of the Race. The old type of leadership, with antedeluvian cast of mind, at first decried the movement as being handpicked and unrepresentative. But when this obviously absurd charge was disproved by the overwhelming success of the movement, their derogatory tactics shifted to other flimsy pretexs. The large number of delegates was due, they allege, to the coming together in the city at the same time of several other organizations, such as the president's housing committee, the Equal Rights league and the executive council of the National Federation of Colored Women. All of these organizations combined contributed not over 20 delegates.

Of course, the effects of the conference must be belittled in the eyes of the overlords of the Republican party by those who feed on its favor. This was done in a way that only the Race politician knows how to do by way of dicrediting a fellow Race celebrity in the eyes of his white lord and master. Republican participants holding office under the administration were sought to be embarrassed to the point of official disfavor. They tried to embarrass the leader of the movement by the sinister query: "How can Oscar DePriest be the sponsor of a nonpartisan movement and a regular Republican member of congress at the same time?"

But notwithstanding all such obstructive tactics, the nonpartisan conference stands out as the most significant movement in the political life of the Race within many decades. The spirit of dissatisfaction and unrest is universal throughout the Race. The Colored press, pulpit, platform and all other agencies and organs of public opinion reflect this feeling. Mr. DePreist had the stasesmanlike sagacity to sense this feeling organize it and give it effective expressinon. He struck the iron while it was red hot. The old line politicians who seem incapable of learning any new thing or of forgetting any thing that is old are essaying the impossible when they try to opiate the Race into satisfaction with the present day attitude and performances of the Republican party. They are sitting astride a dead horse, applying thelash to his hide and poking spurs into his side, and seem to enjoy the exercise. But they make no progress.

The conference was nonpartisan in fact as well as in name. Both Republican and Democratic partisanship were eschewed and Race partisianship extolled. Like members of the Anti-Saloon league, while some may be Republicans, some Democrats and some independents, yet all are first and foremost prohibitionists. The members of the conference pledged themselves to work for the political and civil rights of the Race under the Constitution and the law andior larger economic opportunity, whether through one party or the other, or outside of both. I do not beleive that there is a right-minded Negro in America who is not personally benefited by partisan attachment but will subscribe to this platform of principles.

If some new path is not blazed the Race will proceed for the next 50 years as it has for the last half century without making any further political headway. The counsel of the standpatter is the counsel of stagnation. The Republican party was at one time the Race's political salvator, but that time has passed. As the findings of the conference recites: "The present day difference between two major parties has dwindled to the point of indistinction." Governmental responsibility is now divided between them. The shifting of millions of our people to the North gives the Race the eacy balance of power in a dozen states. His voice is equally essential to the success of either party. His political opportunity is strategic if he will only realize upon it to the best advantage. This certainly cannot be done by pledging it beforehand to anyone political organization.

The appeal of the conference is strongest to the young intelligent men and women of our group. They live in a day when the ruling Pharaoh knows not Joseph; at the same time their generation of Josephs knew not Pharaoh, the philanthropist of their Race. They will look up the stream, and not down, for effective water power.

But a conference at best can but furnish opportunity for expression of feeling, exchanging of opionion and swaping of experiences. The effect is apt to be volatile and evanescent unless it can be consolidated and effectively organized. The conference has been 100 per cent efficient in ofcusing the thought and sentiment of the Race on a set of political principles. It still remains to translate these principles into a feasible program of procedure.

A committee on permanent organization was appointed with power to formulate a permanent organization, and in the meantime to present certain agreed proposals to the president of the United States, to both houses of congress and to both national conventions in their pre-election sessions. No hard and fast partisan organization could do this..

The permanent success of the movement is in the future. If the proposed organization will be efficiently and unselfishly managed and if the people will continue their initial enthusiam, unanimity and support its success is doubly assured.

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SHUBUTA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

The mid-term examination of our school was held December 15- 16 with 99% of the enrollment present.

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A nice 4x8 United States flag was presented to the school by the Board of Trustees for which we are very proud.

The boy making the highest mark in the Senior Class was made by custodian of the flag, R. J. McGowan received this honor.

Faculty:- S. Adams, Principal Mesdames Helen V. Adams, Carie L. Cole and Lillie D. Falconer.

SAY N. A. A. C. P. LAWYERS WILL TRY SCOTTSBORO BOYS' CASE

New York, Dec. —According to an interpretation of a report from the national office of the National Association for the Advancement of Cololred People, the attorneys selected by that organization will represent the eight boys condemned to death at Scottsboro before the Alabama supreme court Jan. 18 and not the lawyers of the International Labor Defense, a communist group.

The N. A. A. C. P. reports that the bills of exceptions for the appeal filed by its attoreys have been certified to the supreme court and that the bills presented by George W. Chamlee, communist attoraney, were not approved.

Chamlee, the N. A. A. C. P. report continues, demanded and received the opportunity to argue for the certification of his bills but his argument was not successful, the court ruling against it on two grounds: because his pleas were defective and because Mr. Chamlee is not an attorney of record in the case.

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Regular pastoral and communion service is the first Sunday in each month.

Trustee day is the third sunday at 11:00 o'clock.

Official board Monday night after each pastoral day.

Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church

9:30 Sunday School.

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Preaching 11:30 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

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E. L. WEEKS, Clerk,
C. J. BOYKINS, Pastor.

Haven Chapel M. E. Church

J. M. Shumpert, Pastor.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church

The Welcome Corner

13th Avenue and 14th Street.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., R. W. Young, Supt.

Preaching at 11:00 A. M. and 7:45 P. M.

Rev. R. L. Young, Pastor.

31st Avenue Baptist Church

Sunday School 9:30 A. M. H. B. Sherrod, Supt.

Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:30 P. M. Mrs. O. W. Bishop, President.

Calvary Baptist Church.

Sunday School 9:30 A. M., S. L. Moore, Supt.

Preachng every first and third Sundays 11:00 A. M.

B. Y. P. U. 5:00 P. M., W. M. Cross, President.

Rev. L. C. Coleman, Pastor.

ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

Sunday School—9:30 A M.

Preaching—11:00 A. M., and 7:30 P. M.

A. C. E. League—6:30 P. M.

Rev. W. H. Murrell, D. D., Pastor

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A. J. Riser, Supt.

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Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.

Rev. A. L. Perkins, Pastor

PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH

6th St. and 14th Ave.

Sunday School 9:30 a. m.

P. J. Brown, Supt.

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B. Y. P. U. at 6:0. p. m.

P. M. Mitchell, Pres.
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You've gone to meet our loved one we hope to meet some day

Although you suffered, and while
Through pain, you would smile,
It was a smile of Heavenly birth
And when the angels called you home,
You smiled farewell to earth.

We miss you at home, dear papa.
We miss you from your place.
We miss you all through the weary hours,,
We miss the sunshine of your face,
But our loss is Heaven's gain.
We think of you still as the same
We say you are not dead, you are just away.

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GOOD MORNING H. B. A.s! CHRISTMAS GIVE!

We wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

We wish to congratulate you for the work that you have done. We have received through your co-operation this year, approximately $50,000.00.

Brother W. C. McLeod, president of lodge No. 57, Bassfield, Miss., had taken time, when the Board met, to have the amount figured out that each member had paid during the year. This amounted to $5.95 per member. It is very encouraging to know that we have received more than $50,000.00 during the year and it has cost no one member more than $5.95 during the year at the headquarters.

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DRIVE

As General Officers, we wish to congratulate you upon your splendid efforts during the Drive. We asked that you give us 400 members by the Boards and another 100 making 500 by January 1st. We are proud to report to you that you have at this writing sent in 575 members. Since you have done so well, we have decided to offer you the following as a Xmas gift and a New Year's token:-

A continuation of the Drive will be given you until March 1st, 1932. Send 25c to the office for the purchase of new policies. We are asking that you give us 425 members by March 1, which will give us a total of 1,000 members added since Oct. 1, to March 1st.

We wish for you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May the blessings of our Father in Heaven ever abide with you and may you express your heart felt sympathy for His goodness through your good deeds and acts.

Yours for the Master,

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Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Weekly Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 305 is still improving and increasing its membership. We have a good lodge, and our members are all working hard for the Association. We are in peace and harmony with one another. I feel highly indebted to you, because you are the cause of my being a member of the H. B. A. I feel without your presence, your business transaction; my name would not have been enrolled, but thanks to the good Lord I am one of you all. May God bless you in all of your work.

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Mrs. Lillian Jones, Organist,
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GOOD MORNING H. B. A.s! CHRISTMAS GIVE!

We wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

We wish to congratulate you for the work that you have done. We have received through your co-operation this year, approximately $50,000.00.

Brother W. C. McLeod, president of lodge No. 57, Bassfield, Miss., had taken time, when the Board met, to have the amount figured out that each member had paid during the year. This amounted to $5.95 per member. It is very encouraging to know that we have received more than $50,000.00 during the year and it has cost no one member more than $5.95 during the year at the headquarters.

It has cost some members less than this amount who have not remained financially the year round.

DRIVE

As General Officers, we wish to congratulate you upon your splendid efforts during the Drive. We asked that you give us 400 members by the Boards and another 100 making 500 by January 1st. We are proud to report to you that you have at this writing sent in 575 members. Since you have done so well, we have decided to offer you the following as a Xmas gift and a New Year's token:-

A continuation of the Drive will be given you until March 1st, 1932. Send 25c to the office for the purchase of new policies. We are asking that you give us 425 members by March 1, which will give us a total of 1,000 members added since Oct. 1, to March 1st.

We wish for you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May the blessings of our Father in Heaven ever abide with you and may you express your heart felt sympathy for His goodness through your good deeds and acts.

Yours for the Master,

E F. YOUNG, General President
E. F. YOUNG, Jr., General Vice President
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